

**MINUTE OF EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF
CONEY WESTON PARISH COUNCIL
TUESDAY, 3 MARCH 2026
CONEY WESTON VILLAGE HALL, 7.55 PM**

The meeting was held immediately after the Public Meeting called by the Trustees of the Coney Weston Playing Field charity

Present: Cllr Bren Francis (Chair), Cllr Patrick Sullivan (Vice Chair), Cllr Peter Clarke and Luke Hibbert (Clerk and RFO).

1. Apologies for absence

1.1 Cllr Paul Hines had sent his Apologies.

2. Members' Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

2.1 None

3. Meeting open to the public

3.1 No member of the public wished to speak.

4. Coney Weston Parish Council – Sole Trustee

4.1 The Cllrs were of the view that the public meeting of the Coney Weston Playing Field charity, called and held by the Trustees of the charity had been positive. Whilst no member of the public had put themselves forward for the role of Trustee of the charity, there had been good interest from the members of the public present in volunteering to assist the charity going forward.

4.2 In the circumstances, and in the light of the desire of the current Trustees to resign as trustees, the Cllrs were of the view that at this time there is no alternative to the Council seeking to become Sole Trustee of the charity.

4.3 The Cllrs made clear that if the Council becomes Sole Trustee, the Council's role would be limited to maintaining the playing field. The Council would not be applying for grants or undertaking additional work

on the Playing Field. However, the Cllrs hoped that volunteers would undertake any such tasks. This could possibly be facilitated by a sub-committee of the Council (if it is permissible for residents who are not Parish Councillors to be members of such a sub-committee). The question of this possibility will be investigated by the Clerk.

ACTION: CLERK

- 4.4 Cllr Clarke proposed and Cllr Francis seconded a Resolution that the Council agree to become the Sole Trustee of the Coney Weston Playing Field charity subject to (1) the new governing document for the charity (which is currently with the trustees of the Playing Field Committee) being approved by the Charity Commission and all parties, and executed by all parties, and (2) the documents held by the Trustees being passed to the Council before or at the time of the Council's appointment as Sole Trustee. The Councillors present UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to pass the Resolution.

There being no other business the Chair closed the meeting.

Approved as a true and accurate record.

Cllr Bren Francis (Chair)

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