Claydon and Barham Recreation Ground Committee (RGMC) – Chair's Report April 2019

I would like to thank the committee members for their support during the year particularly John Whitehead our Treasurer for his efforts in dealing with various issues that have occurred.

The new approach to funding agreed by the Parish Councils has worked well.

The Recreation Ground has been well used by both by residents and their children and our local football clubs, Claydon FC (youth), and Barham Athletic FC (adult, veterans and youth). It is a sad reflection on the state of grass roots football but two local adult teams folded during the last year, Barham Athletic reserves and Claydon 07.

Unfortunately, we have suffered from small incidents of vandalism again this year.

There are currently only two Trustees registered with the Charity Commission and it is hoped that the 2019 AGM will generate a greater involvement with the RGMC. As the work to review our current status and the 1981 constitution stalled, Claydon Parish Council (the Custodian Trustee) has now established a working group to take this forward.

Due to the need for additional parent parking for the extended Claydon Primary School, at the time of writing, SEH on behalf of Suffolk County Council are putting in place a tarmac surface on the car park.

Stephen Carr,

Chair, Claydon and Barham Recreation Ground Management Committee