



MINUTES - 5th February 2015

Present: Jason, Heidi, Stuart, Wendy, Vicky, Adele, Philip Schofield, Clare

1.) Welcome

Jason opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

2.) Apologies

Elizabeth

3.) Actions from Previous Meeting

The Actions Log was reviewed and updated. The following matters are still outstanding:

- Entertainer for Summer Fair 2015 - Elizabeth has got a contact and has asked for prices - no dates confirmed. One quote received, too expensive, awaiting a second entertainer to respond.
- Publicity - CN has suggested we go for an advert/leaflet in February edition of Go Local in preparation for next years activities.
- Water Pump - ongoing
- Grant opportunities - see agenda item.
- Garden designs - see minutes for update
- Photos on website - ongoing.
- Pump quotes - MB not at meeting so no update, but JP/MB due to meet to discuss.
- Changing Rooms - MB not at meeting so no update

4.) Finance Update

We currently have £12,852.55 in the bank - insurance renewal to be paid

5.) Grant Opportunities

CN submitted an application for the Stainland/Greetland Ward Grant - £500 for work to refurbish the MUGA area - awaiting decision.

It was agreed we should complete as many grants as possible to raise funds - however CN/WT pointed out that applications need to be very specific and you need a lot of details about the project and costs before you can submit them. WT pointed out that an RHS grant might be available for the MUGA area - WT/CN to investigate. Other possible grants still include:

- B&Q Better Neighbourhoods Grant - max £300 - for materials - CN to make an application
- Co-op Community Dividend (£100-£5000) is advertised on RHS website
- CFFC - General Grants Programme up to £900 always open

- Lottery Fund - Awards for All - we should look at this when ready to complete Aviary Project - would need to have all information available in terms of activities and costs as application is 21 pages long.

The Grants could help towards getting the Plantation cleared or buying tools, regenerating the MUGA area, clearing the pond.

6). Plans for the Year Ahead

Well Project - Philip advised that the Well Project is almost complete and has just been delayed due to the weather.

MUGA - Philip advised that the demolition of the MUGA is imminent. He has also been in touch with Solvay as a courtesy seen as their parent company provided some funds for its construction. No objections received.

Regeneration of the MUGA area - CN has applied for a ward grant to help with the design and regeneration of this area once the MUGA is demolished. We also agreed to come to the next meeting with garden designs for this area. Jason to send measurements round to everyone.

Pump - Jason advised that it takes 12 weeks to manufacture the pump - however upon Philips guidance we have agreed all plans and costs should be completed first before we commit to the cost of a pump. Jason to pursue this.

Maintenance - a plan has been drawn up of all the maintenance work completed by volunteers in 2014 so we can keep on top of these. Future volunteer days will focus on some of these areas.

Pond/Bridge - we discussed the clearing out of the pond and repair/cleaning of the bridge as a possible long term project for the Lloyds volunteers. It will be a big job and we may need to do some mechanical clearing work first. Also the loss of the changing rooms (i.e. electricity, water, toilets) might hinder how many volunteers we get this year.

7). Any Other Business

- Stuart requested that we focus on clearing up around the folly areas at one of the volunteer days.
- Jason to review Elland Our Place website for ideas and contacts.

8). Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 5th March 2015 at 7.00pm, Holywell Green United Reformed Church. All welcome.