



MINUTES - 4th June 2015

Present: Heidi, Kathleen, Wendy, Elizabeth, Stuart, Vicky, Clare

1.) Welcome

Heidi opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. HH explained that Jason Parker has currently got work commitments that mean he will not be able to chair meetings for the next few months. HH has offered to step into this role for this period - the group agreed to this change.

2.) Apologies

Jason Parker, Philip Schofield, Chris Blakey

3.) Actions from Previous Meeting

Pump - work is ongoing on the proposal and seeking approval to proceed.

Church Facilities - HH obtained approval from the church to use their facilities on our volunteer day on 9th June - this is an extremely useful resource for the group and we very much appreciate the church's support.

4.) Finance Update

Figures remain the same as last month (£13,175.55) with a bank statement due. This figure includes £500 grant from Ward Forum which needs to be spent on a community project by March 2016.

5.) Volunteer Days

- 15th May - Wendy attended the volunteer day and gave an update. The group who attended did an excellent job and brought all their own tools. They completed general maintenance work around the rockery and Shaw Lane entrance.

- Tuesday 9th June - a group from Lloyds are attending on this date, Wendy and Clare will be there to support them. They will complete general maintenance on the raised beds area and also clear overgrowth in the Plantation.

CN has received two further emails from people at Lloyds Banking Group who wish to attend volunteer days. As a lot of general work has now been done then it would be good for these groups to complete a bigger project such as the reed pond clear out. To be discussed with Philip and plans/dates to be agreed.

6). Park Issues

- HH advised that the group have received an email from Calderdale Council regarding some allotment space near the park, and whether we would be interested in managing this space. This land currently belongs to Solway and they wish to transfer it to the Council. The group agreed that we should express an interest, but that we needed more information about this before we made a decision.

- Vandalism - it has been noted that stones have been stolen from the park boundary wall down Shaw Lane. Also some of the wall supporting the raised beds by the old tennis courts has been damaged and stones removed.

- Planters - we have received a notification from Elland District Partnership that the planters by the Holywell Inn will no longer be managed by them, however Wendy advised that Stainland & District Partnership have confirmed they will return these planters to this position and manage them for the time being.

7). Any Other Business

- Wendy updated the group on the success of the Car Boot Sale held at Holywell Green Junior School car park on a Sunday morning (despite the weather) and it was agreed that we should consider this or a table top event instead of our Summer Fair this year.

- There is a notice board in West Vale and the group have been asked if they wish to place a notice in here - a poster of some sort will be designed and sent through

- The church are holding a lunch on Saturday 11th July and volunteers are needed. Heidi, Wendy, Elizabeth and Clare have agreed to attend.

8). Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 2nd July 2015 at 7.00pm, Holywell Green United Reformed Church. All welcome.