



MINUTES - 3rd December 2015

Present: Jason, Stuart, Heidi, Elizabeth, Wendy, Chris, Clare, Philip Schofield, Vicky

1.) Welcome

Jason opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

2.) Apologies

Martin Blower

3.) Finance Update

The account balance stands at £13,109.55.

RHS Affiliated membership costs due at £35.00

Website fee due, plus cost of pump and pipework will be payable soon.

4.) Actions from the Last Meeting

- Questionnaire - has been typed up but due to the dreadful weather we have had none have been completed as yet. This is something that can be done over time to get a feel for people's views on the park.

- Grant funds - we need to make a decision on what to spend this on - the soil for the MUGA will be provided by Calderdale Council. It was suggested and discussed that planting 10 or so fruit trees on the banking below the MUGA area might be a nice feature. Philip to price up fruit trees and let the group know.

Action: Philip to price up 10/12 fruit trees and advise the group before ordering.

- Publicity - CN had obtained costs for production and delivery of leaflets via Go Local. The group agreed that a production run of 6,000 leaflets advertising the park and the group could then be distributed on three separate occasions over the year at 2,000 per time. Whenever there is something specific to advertise such as a summer fair then we will do separate publicity.

Action: CN to confirm to Go Local about leaflets and get the ball rolling.

- Electricity and water in the park - Philip provided an update on this and potential costs. It is not really a viable option at this stage.

- Lloyd's volunteering questionnaire - CN completed and returned this.

5.) Well / Pump Update

Philip confirmed that Jagers were available at any time to complete the trench work. It was suggested the new year would be better in the hope this wet weather would pass, or at the same time as the soil goes down on the MUGA as Council staff would be onsite. They would complete any assessments and risk logs etc. as necessary.

JP advised that he has priced up the costs of piping at approximately £120.

JP also advised that Mark Wilson, a local contractor, is getting the CHAS registration completed and would be available to dig the sump/tank areas and trench if we choose. He will also be able to complete all the necessary assessments.

JP reminded that the pump order would take 12 weeks, so given the Spring timetable for the MUGA and trench it needs to be ordered now. JP to get a final quote and circulate for approval - timescales are towards end February hopefully.

Action: JP to get final quote for pump and circulate for approval.

6). Summer Fair

We agreed that we still want to go ahead with this for 2016 despite not having electricity and water - there are ways around this.

Initial ideas/things needed include: generators, portaloos, marquees, water carriers, bouncy castle, entertainer, treasure hunt, face painting, a variety of stalls around the park, burger van, ice cream van, teas and coffees, tombola, splat the rat and possibly a bronking bull!

Action: WT/HH to investigate bronking bull.

Action: CN to prepare a list of stalls/actions for the next meeting.

7). Any Other Business

- Christmas Tree Festival - Friday 4th to Sunday 6th December.

- Pop Up Lunch at United Reformed Church will be 12 December - group members to volunteer where possible.

8). Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 4th February 2016, starting at 7.00pm, United Reformed Church, Holywell Green.

Please note there will be no meeting in January.

Shaw Park Restoration Group would like to wish all its members and supporters a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

