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Cllr. Joe Plant



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Miss L Wilkins

Treasurer
Mrs C. Moore



Minutes of the meeting of the Friends of Pannett Park (including Little Park) Management committee, 5th January 2011 2 pm in the Normanby Room

Present - Joe Plant, Owen Moore, Carol Moore, Linda Wilkins, Chris Roe, Kath Horsley, Joy Huish, Linda Simms.

66 Apologies -

Heather Coughlan, Marie Harland, Susan Davies.

67 Minutes of the Management Committee meeting 3rd November 2010

The minutes were agreed correct .

68 Matters arising from the minutes

1. Christmas dinner - was postponed because of bad weather re-arranged for Friday 28th January, Whitby Tandoori
2. Christmas carols - a very successful evening & record attendance.
Letters of thanks sent.
Suggested FPP could purchase a sound system to use at future events, from contingency fund.
3. Dutch bulb fields visit - 9 people going.
4. Whitby in Bloom 2011 - agreed to help in any way possible
5. Events 2011 - visit to RHS Harlow Carr -- best time for tulips
6. Tourism Award - The Play Area was named Best Attraction in Whitby 2010 by Discover Yorkshire Coast Tourist Association.

69 Treasurer's report

Carol Moore reported -

Carols evening - £247 raffle tickets sold. Expenses - hire of Art Gallery & purchase of some raffle prizes.

Insurance with BTCV for 2011 is due - £191.76 (CM). BCTV inform us of funding opportunities and also provided contact with the DEFRA National Tree Planting campaign, through which we will receive 50 assorted trees.

70 Area Parks Manager Report

Chris Roe reported -

The sundial will be ready early January - suggested a ceremony to celebrate this.

The obelisks will be ready in the next few weeks.

Work has been very difficult recently due to the snow cover and frozen ground.

Priority is to be given to the rockery on Union Steps. The Acanthus need cutting back hard.

The shrubbery above the Lily Pool needs heavy pruning and Euonymus replacing.

The shrubbery at the top of the bank needs clearing of weeds and holly.

The area below the new sundial needs careful pruning to give the correct view of the Lily Pool Pavilion.

Planting of early perennials should be completed in February.

Suitable roses have now been sourced for all the beds.

The rose beds outside the main entrance should include sustainable planting.

Gary Spreadbury, apprentice, is doing very well and gaining good plant knowledge.

WTC have committed to funding an apprentice for the next ten years. Working with WCC to find an apprentice for next year.

Water lilies will be ordered for March delivery - cost £100. Suggestion to Chris as to what to spend the remaining £100 gift from the "Kirby" family on.

Possibly stone urns. Will need a plaque commemorating the gift.

Chris Bourne has been asked for advice relating to a request from SBC Environmental Health to remove the chimes in the Play Area. Will probably need HLF approval.

The bellows will be repaired soon. There is conflict between the manufacturers and Hellens relating to their installation. Refer to Chris Bourne

Some vandalism in October/November resulted in four arrests.

71 Nest Boxes

Nest boxes in the park need checking - to ask Walter Turner

Need more nest boxes - scout group will be making some.

72 Community Garden

Plans will be launched at the Open Meeting on 26th January.

There is space for 9 to 12 beds, about 2m square. Some beds could be raised. Final designs could depend on the user groups.

A damaged tree to be removed and the "Lions" tree to be moved.

SBC legal team have produced an agreement. All groups must have a 12 month plan.

To summarise conditions and put on website

The planning group will meet on Tuesday 11th January.

There is money in the bid for a bird feeding station. The Community Garden might not be the best place for this. Possible alternative is the bottom border. Paul Armstrong (RSPB volunteer) has offered advice

Bob Bennett has offered to design some organic/Art Nouveau structures to be made by JC Fabrications.

73 Co-ordinating group visits

It was agreed that it would be useful for one member of the Friends to co-ordinate group visits to the park with Chris Roe. Gill Wood has agreed to do this.

74 Policy for press releases

It was agreed that all press releases should be agreed by the chair. They need to be copied to SBC press office and Chris Roe and should include HLF recognition.

75 Publicity

Joint Marketing Group -

Linda Wilkins reported - an advert has been designed by Marcus Byron for use in The Whitby Guide and the bedroom browser. It was approved by Nick Rochford, HLF, who agreed it was too small to be suitable for HLF logos.

The group are now working with Marcus on a leaflet and poster.

A-board -

Kath Horsley reported - this is in hand and Robert Lammerton is producing a mock up.

76 Constitution

The constitution was discussed and changes suggested to bring it up to date.

To present to next meeting and prepare for approval at the AGM.

77 AOB

1 Card received from Ron Wood with thanks for gift

2 New WTC representative will be decided at next council meeting

3 Possibility of PEEMS bringing model railway to a park event

4 Contacted Chris Laws about possibility of a fairground organ for an event

5 Open Meeting 26th January - police have been invited to give a report.

Gill Wood has agreed to give a volunteer's report.

Publicity - posters for park notice boards

Whitby Gazette - press release and photo shoot

Nick Rochford, HLF, indicated that they liked to receive photographs relating to projects. Ron Wood sent some photographs of the park in the snow which they were very pleased with.

6 The Friends of Pannett Park have free use of the Normanby Room during the hours the Museum is open. Thanks were expressed for this.

7 The role of the Park Rangers is changing and they may not be used in Whitby as often as in the past.

8 The training plan for volunteers will resume in the new year and take the form of short talks on Tuesday mornings. Keith Wright will train in First Aid at Work. There is money for members of the Friends to train in First Aid - Joy Huish would like to do this.

10 The Museum curator of birds is an RSPB ringer - to contact

Date of next meetings - Wednesday 2nd February in the Normanby Room
2011 - 1st Wednesday of every month



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