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Minutes of the meeting of the Friends of Pannett Park (including Little Park) Management committee, 4th August 2010 2 pm in the Normanby Room

Present - Joe Plant, Owen Moore, Linda Wilkins, Carol Moore, Chris Roe, Kath Horsley, Linda Simms, Joy Huish, Mike Ward, John Woodhead, Marie Harland.
Mike Ward was welcomed to the committee.

15 Apologies -

Heather Coughlan, Susan Davies,

16 Minutes of the Management Committee meeting 7th July 2010

The minutes were agreed correct

17 Matters arising

Clock service contract - there is an annual contract with Smiths of Derby (£150)

The sealed unit cost around £10,000. Need two weeks notice for service.

Commemorative plaque - quote requested for metal plaque for park main entrance.

May need planning permission for this. Wording still needed

A-board - Vinyl signs quote about £75. Possibly two boards.

To place on Museum Terrace when Friends are gardening.

Time line - add 2nd June - cost approx. £500 - decision later

Photography competition - Helen Berry (new Art Gallery curator) is considering our request for space in the Art Gallery for a photographic competition.

September open meeting - Tom Mutton has agreed to speak about Ground works

Confirm cable for projector is available. Invite police.

Play area signage - Robert Everiss commissioned this without consultation with the Friends.

TGP produced the signs - incorrect/inaccurate

18 Treasurer's report

Carol Moore gave a report.

North Yorkshire Fund Community Foundation grant application for £500 was successful.

WTC granted the Friends £750 for administration costs - cheque received, letter of thanks sent.

Whitby in Bloom donated £26 from sale of "I love Pannett Park" badges.

RHS Membership (£31) has been renewed.

Treasurer will apply to Mayoress Community Fund - suggestions -

1) fund time line, 2) obelisks, 3) tools for children or disabled.

19 Area Parks Manager Report

Chris Roe reported -

Green Flag judging - results announced on 28th July , Pannett Park achieved Green Flag status, 12 months ahead of schedule.

Photo shoot for Whitby Gazette. Need to reach this level annually.

Play area - needs sweeping daily to remove scattered gravel

Agreed gravel be removed from rockeries around play area.

Lily pool - 100mm gravel is very thick. Ideally mix with organic material - investigate

No information yet received on filtration system & where to order replacement filters.

CCTV camera is working but disc can't be accessed.

Walk round with Andrew Gardner, 3.8.10

Russell Hellens was unable to attend.

The snagging list has not been fulfilled. There are now additional points.

Art work in Commemorative Garden needs urgent attention as the wood is De-laminating.

Grey Water Tank - can't be used as no instructions received.

Hellens need to be invited back to solve a variety of problems.

e-mail to Andrew Gardner & copy to Brian Bennett asking for immediate response.

General

The tramp is still a problem but he can only be moved on when the park is officially closed or if he is "doing anything wrong".

Some poor behaviour by young people in the park.

The byelaws are posted on the bottom notice board and have been sent to the police. Letter to police (Inspector Mark Grange) requesting they enforce the byelaws.

Invite Yorkshire Water to discuss how pressure could be improved.

Request from member of public to move flag pole from corner of park to museum terrace. All agreed not to do this. WTC can fly any flag they need on the FPP flag pole.

Question from Lions about positioning world distances finger posts, currently on the West Cliff, in the park. To investigate stage two bid.

Health & safety - no incidents.

The owner of the dog which attacked Chris Roe received an official warning.

20 Community Pay back

John Woodhead explained how the Community Pay back system works.

He would be able to give 24 hours notice of a group to work in the park, supervised 1 to 5, usually on Tuesdays.

Committee agreed to give this a trial.

21 Family Feste

Wynne Jones has given us details of this year's Family Feste (23rd & 24th October), which will take a different form from previous years. She suggested a story tent in the park. All agreed this would not be appropriate in October. Also the Friends had been considering a Halloween event (30th or 31st October).

To reply explaining we can not take part this year.

22 Jurassic Garden interpretation board

This was not in the original plan but all agreed it is necessary as the leaflets are only available from the museum, when it is open. To get a quote from Marcus Byron and consider using contingency fund money.

23 Rose Beds

Nick Rochford (HLF) tells us these could be re-positioned. There are problems replacing the rose beds at the top of the "sweep" both horticulturally, as this is an area of informal planting, and practically, as the new banking legislation could make grass cutting impossible if the rose beds are reinstated. Also the bank side is a popular area for park visitors to sit.

Agreed that the management committee put a proposal to the next Open Meeting giving other options.

24 Community Garden

SBC legal department are drawing up a framework document.

Contact with Middlesbrough Council for information on their schemes.

25 Education Pack

Meeting arranged with Beth Veitch (Lit & Phil) to discuss including information about the park in the museum's education pack.

26 Friends social events

Celebrating the Green Flag award was a good experience, 28th July.

NYMR Great Western Coach, planned by Gwen Tidy, 5th August.

Date for Christmas dinner - next meeting.

27 AOB

1. Website - for the automatic mail shots change the heading to "news & events"
2. Local RSPB group has folded
3. Sell the Park post cards at the museum desk? - ask museum staff
4. Art work for South Seas Garden (Deb Gillanders) needs following up.
5. Turning Post is not suitable to be placed outdoors. Liaise with Civic Society.
6. Apprentice start date is 1st September.

Date of next meeting Wednesday 1st September 2 pm in the Normanby Room



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