

# Minutes of the meeting of the Pannett Park (including Little Park) Management committee, 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018 2 pm at Whitby Pavilion



Present - Bob Bennett, Linda Wilkins, Anne Noble, Linda Sims, Amanda Smith, Nigel Dixon, Keith Wright.

1. Apologies - Joe Plant, Kath Horsley, Sandra Turner, Sorrel Hinchliffe, Chris Roe, Sheila Johnson, Roger Burnett.

2. Minutes of the Management Committee meeting 4<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

The minutes were agreed correct, to be put on the website.

3. Matters arising from the minutes

- a) Compass rose in commemorative garden has been completed. Need to check drainage is OK.
- b) Little Free Library is still not made.
- c) Steve Iredale is working on ideas for a "May Queen" type carving. GW requested committee to reconsider & create a seat instead. Agreed unanimously to original idea of a "May Queen". Seats may be considered in future.
- d) Jurassic noticeboard - quote requested from Vinyl Signs for a new board.
- e) Cottage plaque needs fixing.
- f) CCTV - a camera on the museum wall covers the defibrillator a camera to cover the Jurassic Garden to be investigated
- g) Sign needed at park entrance with directions to defibrillator

4. Communication

RB -

Suggestion by Whitby Lions they might hold a recruitment event in the park. All agreed to this in principle.

GW -

Information from Whitby Dementia Action Alliance re training.  
Email re lost brooch, since found by Geoff & returned by post to owner.

LW -

Congratulations on Green Flag Heritage award from Lit & Phil  
Thanks sent to contributors at Pannett Day  
Wendy English re escape stone in Lily Pool  
Thank you card received from West Park, Jarrow, for their visit.

## 5. SBC Report

KW reported a great deal of watering had been necessary due to the hot, dry weather. Time had been spent preparing the park for Bloom judging.

A tree fern has died, to be replaced by SBC. Also a replacement for the one stolen. There has been a spate of vandalism - stolen man hole cover, broken stones in compass rose, fires in Community garden & lily pool area, broken stone steps, stones thrown around. Reported to police.

It appears young people congregating around the lily pool escape the police by jumping into the Quaker Burial Ground.

Union steps rockery planting needs re-thinking, drought resistant & low ground cover.

Information from CR re remaining HLF money.

Much of the remaining money is already accounted for - compass rose, 2 x chain saw carvings, Jurassic notice board, Little free library, Gates, leaflet re-print, poetry scrolls, website.

Suggestion of additional external sockets.

Request for a further investigation into a water supply at the lily pool.

## 6. Health & Safety

Speeding on the drive & the safety of children was again raised by the JMG.  
No new suggestions.

## 7. Horticulture

Breezy Knees training visit on 27<sup>th</sup> July was postponed.  
RHS Harlow Carr - Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> August.

The two cast iron urns will be painted cream to match the existing urns & fixed securely to the terrace.

Poetry scrolls will be worked on over the winter.

Agreed to consider adding groins & cobbles to the entrance bed,

Compost bins in the community garden are now in use & have suitable materials added & worms.

Nigel Brown, the Love Food Hate Waste chef working with NYCC Rotters loved the Community Garden taster beds & would be keen to include them in the Yorkshire food TV programme which he is piloting.

## 8. Maintenance

The gates are due back soon. Will need to hire a crane to replace the large gates.

## 9. Publicity

Facebook - 889 Likes. Max. post reach 3488 , Green Flag heritage status.  
1 x 5\* review.

Tripadvisor - 7 x 5\*, 2 x 4\* reviews

Google - 40 x 5\*, 4 x 4\* reviews, 3 x 3\* reviews  
4 x 1\* reviews - 2 x dogs, 1 x stagnant lily pool, 1 x no comment

JMG meeting -

Request from Museum to trim shrubs around eye catcher boards.

Offer of advert on TI board in station square - decided against as we already feature on it.

Investigating the possibility of joint advert on WTC toilet doors.

## 10. Yorkshire in Bloom & Green Flag

Yorkshire in Bloom judging, 13<sup>th</sup> July, went well with no criticisms of the park.  
“Impressed”, “Wow”, “Jewell in the crown”

Green Flag Heritage Site award - the plaque has been fixed.

Celebration planned with Cllr Joe Plant, SBC mayor - 8<sup>th</sup> August 10.30.

Photo shoot, SBC press release, coffee & cream scones.

Feedback - safety sign at the Lily Pool - idea circulated. All agreed.

“Water feature, children should be accompanied by an adult”

Euphorbia around the play area - to review in the autumn.

All agreed they wanted a yearbook/portfolio for next year.

## 11. Treasurer’s report

AN reported - £4392.53 in the bank.

Pannett Day made a profit of £505.19 with a donation from Beacon Farm still to come.

## 14. Friend’s events

Pannett Day feedback - Pippa would like to do an outside pop up café next year.

NYCC Rotters chef demos on using up leftovers - booked for next year!

Agreed we do not need to ask museum to allow us access before 9.30.

The Yorkshire Quiz was again won by Sheila, museum desk.

Agreed to review Halloween & possibly consider alternative.

## 12. Friend’s social events

### 13. Any other business

Discussion about fixing the bye laws notice for all to enjoy,

Next year will be the tenth anniversary of the celebration of the restoration.

Should we celebrate?

Date of next meeting - Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2018