

Minutes of the meeting of the Pannett Park (including Little Park) Management committee, 6th February 2019 2 pm at Whitby Pavilion



Present - Keith Wright, Anne Noble, Kath Horsley, Sorrel Hinchliffe,
Linda Sims, Linda Wilkins, Sheila Johnson.
Bob Bennett from 2.30, Chris Roe 2.15 - 3.15

1. Apologies - Joe Plant, Sandra Turner, Nigel Dixon, Roger Burnett, Amanda Smith.
2. Minutes of the Management Committee meeting 3rd January 2019.
The minutes were agreed correct, to be put on the website.
3. Matters arising from the minutes
 - a) Little Free Library - with JCF
 - b) Jurassic noticeboard - spring
 - c) Wooden bye laws board - to be fixed in office
 - d) Poetry scrolls - with JCF
 - e) Air con units painting - with WTC
 - f) CCTV at Lily Pool & clock are not connected to SBC system.
SBC have a licence to allow staff, KW, to view CCTV images.
Martin Pedley, SBC, asked to check they are working.
 - g) Tree trail post - to be replaced when poetry scrolls go in
 - h) Repair of raised beds - completed
 - i) Graffiti on the rockery stones - removed
 - j) Clock celebration board - for spring
 - k) Metal plates for bird boxes needed
 - l) Wheelie bin covers for play area - with SBC
 - m) Steps from Jubilee Gate into the play area - with SBC.

4. Communication

Christmas card from Friends of Morpeth Floral Clock.

Email from Yorkshire in Bloom asking if we are entering.

TCV offering a year's free membership. Decision not to take up offer.

Email from Layla Pannett, doing family history research. Related to R E Pannett.

Books & leaflets sent.

Contact from possible new volunteer.

Mr & Mrs O'Connor, 21 St Hilda's Terrace, requesting information to help restore their garden in Georgian style,

To reply saying FPP have no information which would help.

5. SBC Report

Thanks to Geoff for doing the Big Garden Birdwatch. Results submitted.
The groins near the main entrance have improved the area.

KW reported -

An advert for recruiting an apprentice is now on the SBC website.

Chain saw carving by SI, start date 1st March.

Felling the tree near the lily pool will take place in early March. A full road closure is needed. Donated tree will be planted after this.

Herbaceous borders have been tidied.

Email from WTC re a plaque commemorating Dave Laws, late parks superintendent. After discussion all agreed to a plaque on one of the benches on the museum terrace. Ideally this would be a way for all parks superintendents to be remembered and would record a heritage feature of the park. The plaque to be purchased by the family of Dave laws.

In addition all agreed we should remember the park keepers with plaques on the cottage foundations.

6. Health & Safety

CR replied to JMG concern re speeding. Agreed we could consider a “beware traffic” sign on the path leading from the main drive to the play area, near the community garden.

7. Horticulture

RHS Harlow Carr is booked, Wednesday 10th April.

Investigated combining it with a visit to Valley Gardens but this would not work.

KBT, Great British Spring Clean, Tuesday 16th April.

To focus on a litter pick of the external park perimeter.

Delighted to welcome a new volunteer gardener, Anne Jephcott.

New volunteer gardener checklist updated & circulated. Agreed.

Possible site for Fritillaria identified near bottom Chubb Hill gate or below Commemorative Garden. To contact HP re purchase in the green.

A suggestion from WT to plant the area behind the wall near the rose arch was discussed. WTC have plans to develop this land in the future. Suggested some additional wildlife planting in the wildlife corridor near the whalebone arch would be useful. To discuss with WT.

8. Maintenance

Louis needs checking.

Cream paint detail for park gates needs replacing.

Broken light on the path through the park - with SBC

Wobbly post near top Chubb Hill entrance needs securing.

9. Publicity

Park leaflets from Adverset have arrived & are in store.

Leaflet exchanges - Eden Camp - 27th March, Flowers of May - 20th March.
Whitby Museum are going to Eden Camp & will take our leaflets.
No-one is available to go to Flowers of May.

Facebook - 989 likes. Max post - 2228, nest box cleaning..

Tripadvisor - 1 x 4* review

Google - 6 x 5*, 4 x 4*, 2 x 3* reviews

Joint posters for toilet doors will cost £186.88, shared 3 ways.

RW provided a disc of a photographic record for 2018. Thanks recorded.

10. Yorkshire in Bloom & Green Flag

Meeting arranged for 10.30, Tuesday 12th February to make decision about
Yorkshire in Bloom 2019 entry

Whitby will be judged in Britain in Bloom between 29 July & 9 August

MS invited to pre Green Flag judging, mystery shopper, walk round
Spring newsletter for noticeboard - in hand

11. Treasurer's report

AN reported - £5640.62 in the bank.

Auditor not able to do FPP books this year.

Insurance certificates received.

14. Friend's events

March Open Meeting, 27th March, 4 pm, Normanby Room. Reports needed.

The AGM has become progressively earlier.

Agreed to change date to 26th June 2019.

Events planning meeting - Tuesday 9th April, 10.30

Easter - request plants, books & tombola prizes

Membership 2019 in hand

12. Friend's social events

Penny Hedge - Christmas dinner disappointing - 2 emails sent, no reply

Breakfast at Penny Clare's disappointing

Dinner at Jasmine's, February or March

Fish & chips after open meeting, 27th March

13. Any other business

Yorkshire Day 2019 is being hosted by WTC

Le Tour - 5th May

Defibrillator cabinet needs replacing with a stainless one

Date of next meeting - Wednesday 6th March 2019