

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



Present - Keith Wright, Bob Bennett, Anne Noble, Kath Horsley, Sorrel Hinchliffe, Linda Sims, Linda Wilkins. Amanda Smith, Steve Smith from 2.30.

1. Apologies - Joe Plant, Sandra Turner, Chris Roe, Nigel Dixon, Sheila Johnson, Roger Burnett.
2. Minutes of the Management Committee meeting 6th February 2019.

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

3. Matters arising from the minutes

- a) Little Free Library - is almost ready, ideally to be in place for Easter
- b) Jurassic noticeboard - emailed MB to send image to RL
- c) Poetry scrolls - meeting 26th March
- d) Air con units painting - with WTC
- e) CCTV at Lily Pool & clock - with SBC.
- f) Clock celebration boards – all agreed to proposals – to send to RL
- g) Metal plates made for bird boxes
- h) Wheelie bin covers for play area – with SBC
- i) Steps from Jubilee Gate into the play area - with SBC.

4. Communication

Replied to Mr & Mrs O'Connor saying FPP have no information which would help.
Email to WTC supporting idea of recognising park superintendents on a seat plaque.
Request from RSPB for information about holding an event in the park.
Request from Wendy English to plant Alder Buckthorn - agreed nowhere suitable
Yorkshire Day celebrations will not be in the park. They will need stewards.
Andrew Deptford is providing a stainless cabinet, free of charge, to replace the defibrillator cabinet which is starting to rust.
Report of broken glass on play area - referred to KW.
Photo from Delta Charlie drones.
Contact with Andrews Coatings & Rustoleum re newly painted urns rusting.
Photographs & details sent.

5. SBC Report

KW reported -

There were 8 applications for the park apprentice position & a shortlist has been created.

Chain saw carving by SI is due to start.

Felling the tree near the lily pool has been postponed until the autumn.

Paper bark maple, donated by Mr Watts, to be planted tomorrow, near the lily pool.

Acer pseudoplatanus brilliantissimum, donated by Mrs Skelton, planted in Little Park.

Acer griseum, donated by Mr Watts, A. capillipes, Metasequoia glyptostroboides

“GoldRush” planted near the lily pool as replacement for the tree which is to be felled.

The lily pool has been cleaned out. Additional water lilies have been planted.

The azaleas in the beds at the cottage have been replaced by Hydrangea King George.

Armeria on the main drive border have been replaced by Heuchera.

6. Health & Safety

Nothing to report

7. Horticulture

RHS Harlow Carr is booked, Wednesday 10th April, 10.30.

KBT, Great British Spring Clean, Tuesday 16th April, has been publicised on website.

Fritillaria in the green can't be bought through SBC.

To investigate planting time for bulbs & prices.

WT would be happy to provide plants for a new area, in a sunny corner at the top of the park, particularly to attract butterflies. No suitable site could be identified.

8. Maintenance

Louis has had feathers stuck on firmly.

Investigating having benches on museum terrace bead blasted.

Prised off slow sign has been replaced

One side of the tap in the community garden is blocked.

9. Publicity

Leaflet exchange - Eden Camp - 27th March

Whitby Museum are going to Eden Camp & will take our leaflets.

Facebook - 1055 likes. Max post - 3340 - spring blooms. One comment re “no dogs”.

Thanks to GW for this amazing response.

Offer from AS to post park photos on RHS Britain in Bloom finalist's site

Tripadvisor - 2 x 4*, 1 x 5* reviews
Google - 8 x 5*, 1 x 4* reviews

Thanks to KH for park photos appearing in Whitby Gazette most weeks.

The museum Dark Matter exhibition leaflet promotes the park

10. Yorkshire in Bloom & Green Flag

Decision for FPP to enter Yorkshire in Bloom 2019. Vote 5 - 4 in favour.

Entry completed, £33.

Quote from CCW for printing 16 page portfolio - £4.50.

To cross reference with judging criteria

Photos to show judges during tour, of park in different seasons.

Whitby will be judged in the nationals after Yorkshire Day.

MS - pre Green Flag judging

Spring newsletter for noticeboard -needed this month

11. Treasurer's report

AN reported - £6021.69 in the bank.

£200 received from Aviva community fund

New auditor - Alan Wright

Investigating if HLF money might run for a further two years.

14. Friend's events

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

Events planning meeting - Tuesday 9th April, 10.30

Easter tombola - LS

Boomerang Bags keen to promote the bags at Pannett Day.

12. Friend's social events

Fish & chips after open meeting, 27th March

Afternoon tea at Perry's - May

13. Any other business

Date of next meeting - Wednesday 3rd April 2019