FRIENDS OF HAILEY PARK

MINUTES OF THE BI-MONTHLY MEETING HELD AT THE ROYAL EXCHANGE, TYMAWR ROAD, LLANDAFF NORTH, $1^{\rm ST}$ MAY 2013 AT 7.30pm.

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	PRESENT.			
	CHAIRPERSON.	Penny Bowes		
	SECRETARY.	Derek Kinsey		
	TREASURER.	Donella Smith		
	COMMITTEE.	Esme Farewell, Birte Langfeldt, Mike John		
	MEMBER.	Meriel Jones		
	PARK RANGER.	Gareth Stamp		
ITEM		Page 1 of 3	ACTION	DATE
1.05.13	APOLOGIES. Paul Rock, Sylvia W	Vard, Russell Todd.		
2.05.13	MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING. These were read and accepted as accurate.			
3.05.13	MATTERS ARISIN	G.		
4.05.13	TREASURER'S REL			
5.05.13	BRIEF REPORTS. (i) Workday, Sunday 21 st April. PB reported that poor weather meant a cancellation but a litter pick was organised for a shorter period. (ii) Operation Perception. 1 st May, 3pm – 7pm. These proceedings to take place in Llandaff North to include a dog education section in the park, fire brigade going door to door regarding smoke alarms etc, with police and other services out and about. (iii) Management Plan. PB reported that there had been a very poor response from the nominated stakeholders regarding the creation of a management plan for Hailey Park. Consequently, the meeting, due to be chaired by Cllr. Corria, is to be postponed. The probability is that a completely different approach be considered with the local community more directly involved. Sports clubs seem to regard the park merely as a provision of a rugby or soccer pitch and that is the extent of their association.			

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6.05.13	PARK ISSUES.		
	(i) Extension of Car Park.		
	Some local residents have requested that the main car park area be		
	extended westwards to incorporate the triangular piece of grassland		
	adjacent to the pathway. This proposal is to be discussed at the next		
	PACT meeting but the prospects for the alteration are not favourable.		
	(ii) Log Circle.		
	As a result of the new riverside pathway construction the log circle, used		
	by school children on field trips in the park and constructed by FOHP		
	volunteers, has become exposed and less concealed. A new site for the		
	facility is to be found.		
	(iii) Pathway chicanes.		
	The chicanes, currently installed on the new riverside pathway, are to		
	have the appropriate locks fitted.		
	(iv) Litter Bin.		
	The provision of a litter bin, sited adjacent to the changing rooms, will		
	be requested of the council. It is already a popular area for dog walkers		
	and increased traffic over the Loop Bridge via the Heritage Trail, will		
	bring further pressures of cleanliness and presentation. DK to make a	T	AGAD
	formal request by letter	Letter	ASAP
	(v) Signage.		
	It was confirmed that funds are available for finger post signage in the		
	park. Many of the current signs in use are cycle related so it seems		
	appropriate to maintain a balance and cater for pedestrian visitors.		
	(vi) Loop Bridge.		
	It was agreed that when the bridge is officially opened the impact of		
	extra cycle traffic generated should be assessed. An informal census	DK	
	could be easily arranged to counter the speculative predictions that are	DIX	
	currently being articulated.		
7.05.13	FOHP ISSUES.		
	(i) Our local park ranger, Gareth Stamp, has recently successfully		
	completed a Green Flag Award judging course.		
8.05.13	AOB.		
	(i) Dr. Mary Gilham MBE.(1921 – 2013)		
	It was with great sadness that the group heard of the death of Dr. Mary		
	Gilham the internationally recognised botanist and ornithologist. She		
	used to accompany Cardiff Naturalists on their regular annual visit to		
	Hailey Park and her depth of knowledge was extremely impressive,		
	being able to identify any species of plant or bird and impart detailed		
	information on the subject in her own casual and genial manner. A		
	product of Aberystwyth University, she travelled worldwide including		
	Antarctic expeditions and published over twenty books, including a		
	definitive study of the ecology of the Taff valley.		
	(ii) Cardiff Walking Festival.		
	This event takes place during the period 4 th – 12 th May with organised		
	walks of various lengths and severity throughout the city		
	(iii) Playground Equipment.		
	One of the new playground equipment items, the Nexus Viper		
	incorporating a giant rope and arch frame, has been vandalised and will		
	be out of commission until repairs are completed.		
	(iv) Changing Rooms.		
	FOHP will continue to paint over graffiti on the walls of this site when	DK	
	required to do so and the metal doors will be treated by the council anti-	DΙ	
	graffiti team directly.		

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9.05.13	Page 3 of 3 DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING. 7.30pm Wednesday, 3 rd July 2013.	
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	Meeting Closed 8.45pm	
	Weeting Closed 6.45pm	
	Derek Kinsey,	
	Secretary.	