

FRIENDS OF HAILEY PARK

**MINUTES OF THE BI-MONTHLY MEETING HELD AT THE
ROYAL EXCHANGE, TYMAWR ROAD, LLANDAFF NORTH
7.30PM WEDNESDAY, 6TH MAY 2015.**

	<p>PRESENT.</p> <p>CHAIRPERSON. Penny Bowers.</p> <p>TREASURER/ SECRETARY. Derek Kinsey</p> <p>COMMITTEE. Esme Farewell, Derek Ford, Donella Smith, Sylvia Powell, Paul Rock.</p> <p>MEMBER. Colin Ward.</p>		
ITEM	PAGE 1 OF 3	ACTION	DATE
1.05.15	APOLOGIES. – Gareth Stamp		
2.05.15	MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING. These were read and accepted as accurate.		
3.05.15 (i) (ii)	<p>MATTERS ARISING.</p> <p>6.09.14 (i) Sign at Tymawr Road entrance. No progress to date. DK to contact sign maker Gareth Lewis to expedite.</p> <p>6.01.15 (iii) Horses in park. PB reported the matter, no further incidents recorded.</p> <p>7.01.15 (i) Commemorative Scroll. DK confirmed two photo copies of the item were obtained for display on the notice boards and an image on a disc for transfer.</p>	DK	ASAP
4.05.15	<p>TREASURER’S REPORT.</p> <p>DK reported that the credit balance brought forward on the Income & Expenditure A/C at 1st January was £3624.44. Thirteen transactions for the period ending 30th April show total income at £393.10 of which £380.10 were subscriptions and £13.00 donations. As expenditure for the same period was £239.57 so the revised credit balance at 1st May was £3777.97. There are no creditor balances, £24.00 debtor balances refer to unpaid subscriptions of which £15.00 is considered safe.</p>		
5.05.15 (i)	<p>BRIEF REPORTS.</p> <p>Fencing.. PB reported that the installation costs of the new fencing on the riverbank could be deducted from the allocated park Section 106 funds. This assertion will be strongly contested as the project, initiated by Health & Safety concerns, is entirely the council’s responsibility.</p>		

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5.05.15	BRIEF REPORTS. (Cont.)		
(ii)	Cardiff Rivers Group. This community voluntary action group has again been active on the riverbank clearing debris and litter so that park users on the pathway can enjoy the river views. DK to e-mail a note of appreciation for their efforts.	DK	ASAP
(iii)	Workday, Sunday 8 th March. PB reported that FOHP volunteers were assisted by Cardiff Conservation Volunteers and a unit of the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme. The task was to complete the willow coppicing in the meadow. A willow weaver called Imogen Higgins attended and should prove to be an excellent contact to be involved in the conversion and disposal of the cuttings.		
(iv)	Workday, Sunday 26 th April. PB reported that 5 FOHP volunteers were engaged in path edging near the playground area. Although the ground was very hard, the finished sections did look neat and tidy after treatment.		
6.05.15	PARK ISSUES.		
(i)	Touch Rugby. PB stated that the touch rugby sessions, a seasonal feature of the park's sporting activities, will be relocated to the Fitzalan School site. Although it was pleasing to see the park used to capacity for these events, associated parking problems have resulted in conflict with local residents who, no doubt, will be relieved at the revised arrangements.		
(ii)	Landfill Grant. PR is to meet with delegates from the Welsh Assembly Government for a de-briefing exercise regarding the FOHP application for a Landfill grant to finance the new playground units installed 2013.		
(iii)	Bowling Green Development. EF & PR presented a quotation received from Green Play Project of Bristol for equipment to be installed at the bowling green site to convert the plot into a natural play area. The cost is to include all ground works, mounds, bridges, balance beams, scramble net, flag poles, woody trail, stepping stones, bamboo jungle and pergola . The site should be able to accommodate the units from the current tot's playground. Funding sources stipulate strict construction timetables which will be difficult to observe so professional assistance is to be sought to overcome these difficulties. The provision of a modified shipping container, to be used as a café, was discussed. Such a scheme has many attributes and could be the low cost answer to the accommodation dilemma.		
(iv)	Log Benches. With the help of the ranger service, all the log benches in the meadow have been replaced . The originals, having been sited several years ago, badly needed upgrading.		

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6.05.15	PARK ISSUES. (Cont.)		
(v)	Riverside Fencing. PB reported that the fencing incorrectly installed at the river end of the car park copse has been now been erected on the left hand side of the pathway proceeding north. All footings relating to the incorrect installation have been back filled leaving the area safe and secure.		
(vi)	Basket Ball Hoop. PB reported that the basket ball unit had been re-designed and relocated to the agreed location. As this has proved a very satisfactory arrangement, DK to forward communication expressing group's thanks.	DK	ASAP
7.05.15	FOHP ISSUES.		
(i)	Green Flag Assessment. Adjudication process might become the responsibility of Keep Wales Tidy due to environmental cut backs etc.		
(ii)	Management Plan. Concern was expressed that the publication of this document will soon be overdue. Steps should be taken to advance the process		
(iii)	FOHP Summer Fair.. As part of the Llandaff North Festival the fair will take place in the park on Saturday, 27 th June. PB reported that arrangements were well advanced to include the popular Fun Dog Show and Dog Dash. The rugby club are hiring a marquee to host a " bake off " experience. To ensure the success of the fair, volunteer help will be required. An autumn show to include produce sales, seed swops etc is under consideration.		
8.05.15	AOB. None.		
9.05.15	DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING. 7.30pm Wednesday, 1 st July 2015.		
	D.Kinsey, Secretary.		