

## FRIENDS OF HAILEY PARK

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE ROYAL EXCHANGE, TYMAWR ROAD,  
LLANDAFF NORTH 7.00pm WEDNESDAY, 6<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2019.**

	<p><b>PRESENT.</b></p> <p><b>CHAIRPERSON.</b> Penny Bowers</p> <p><b>SECRETARY/ TREASURER</b> Derek Kinsey</p> <p><b>COMMITTEE.</b> Paul Rock, Derek Ford, Mike Matty.</p> <p><b>PARK RANGER.</b> Gareth Stamp</p> <p><b>CARDIFF C.C.</b> David Thomas</p>		
<b>ITEM</b>	<b>Page 1 of 3</b>	<b>ACTION</b>	<b>DATE</b>
<b>1.11.19</b>	<p><b>APOLOGIES.</b> Russell Todd</p>		
<b>2.11.19</b>	<p><b>MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER MEETING.</b> These were read and accepted as accurate.</p>		
<p><b>3.11.19</b> ( i )  ( ii )</p>	<p><b>MATTERS ARISING.</b> 5.09.19 ( iii ) – Basket Ball Hoops. These have been removed as it is maintained that noise levels exceed the legal limit. PR has requested that Cllr. J.Burke-Davies investigate Picnic Bench For a possible replacement for the vandalised original, PR e-mailed the council regarding procedure. The response was that such benches should only be sited in high traffic parks. GS confirmed that an identical all metal structure would cost about £600 which could be met through grant funding with the council responsible for installation costs.</p>	<b>PR</b>	
<b>4.11.19</b>	<p><b>TREASURER'S REPORT.</b> DK presented a current Income &amp; Expenditure Account. The confirmed balance B/F at 1<sup>st</sup> Jan. was £2961.31 and expenditure to date £2691.54. Receipts recorded as £547.35 leaving a credit balance of £817.12. No further receipts are anticipated for the remainder of this period ending 31/12/2019.other than donations.</p>		

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<p><b>5.11.19</b></p> <p>( i )</p> <p>( ii )</p> <p>( iii )</p> <p>( iv )</p>	<p><b>BRIEF REPORTS.</b></p> <p>Green Flag Award Assessment.</p> <p>PB reported that as the park did not receive the main Green Flag Award for the whole park ,we agree with the assessors in that while we have been awarded the Green Flag Community Award since 2013 ( for the Hailey Park Meadow part of the park) the meadow should be assessed alongside the main Green Flag Award in the future with our name put forward jointly .However , this means we will no longer be able to apply or receive the Green Flag Community Award as a group but it will increase the chances for the main Green Flag Award for the whole park, particularly the element of biodiversity .However, in their assessment, we do not feel the group would benefit from a Facebook page as our website and Twitter accounts seem to be sufficient as does the monthly on line newsletter using Mailchimp and use of notice boards on the park. With regard to online news letter to members,please note that for certain types of e.mail addresses e.g. g.mail , the newsletter may end up in the spam file, so please check. There were other points highlighted by the judges that will be addressed over the coming years to show improvements in the park through increasing biodiversity , more community involvement and sustainable management of the park in line with climate change objectives.</p> <p>Workday, Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September.</p> <p>PB reported that a different part of the meadow was cut and raked this year to try to cut down on common hogweed and thistles( both can be useful for insects and birds but there is too much of it at the moment) Fifteen volunteers took part on what became a pleasant,warm afternoon. The October workday was cancelled due to illness and the next scheduled is on 24<sup>th</sup> November. Those workdays for 2020 are as follows: 26 January / 16 February / 8 March / 5 April / 10 May / 7 June / 12 July/ 23 August / 13 September / 11 October / 23 November.</p> <p>Welsh Water.</p> <p>GS reported that this company are due to make a drainage inspection in the park and will require access through the meadow. Vehicle routes will be defined to minimise damage. As part of the the company's biodiversity initiative, dormice nesting tubes will be installed at selected sites, however, it was pointed out that dormice nesting boxes have been positioned in the park for five years and no activity has ever been recorded.</p> <p>Information Boards.</p> <p>GS suggested that , if Green Flag application is considered, the purchase of two additional information boards should be considered and be sited at the two major entrances to the park. These could display a detailed map of the park, other notices and heritage information. Although each unit will cost about £3000 grant funding would be available to non-profit, community groups.</p>		
<p><b>6.11.19</b></p> <p>( i )</p>	<p><b>PARK ISSUES.</b></p> <p>Park Pathway Improvement Scheme.</p> <p>DT from Cardiff County Council presented detailed maps of the park showing proposed alterations to the pathways segregating pedestrian and cycle traffic in order to eliminate confrontations and accidents.</p>		

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<b>6.11.19</b>	<p><b>PARK ISSUES. ( Cont. )</b>  Pathway Improvement Scheme.  Even with a Code of Conduct scheme operating, the current shared use system appears to be failing so a complete overhaul is deemed necessary. The committee examined the proposals in detail and made constructive comments and suggestions on certain aspects of the scheme especially the area around the Tymawr Road entrance and the Mary Street location. It is hoped that these and other recommendations will be incorporated into the final design. The cycle way will have a prescribed width of 5 metres and have a buff colour, all sensitive biodiversity sites have been respected and will not be affected. There will be a public consultation process and work is due to commence in March 2020 at an estimated cost of £400,000 Six other improvement schemes along the Taff Trail are due to take place over the period.</p>		
<b>7.11.19</b>	<p><b>FOHP ISSUES</b>  None.</p>		
<b>8.11.19</b>	<p><b>AOB.</b>  The Christmas Lights in Llandaff North will be switched on at a ceremony starting at 6.30pm on Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> November outside the Railway Inn on Station Road.</p>		
<b>9.11.19</b>	<p><b>DATE &amp; TIME OF NEXT MEETING.</b>  7.00pm Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> January 2020</p>		
	<p>Meeting Closed 8.20pm.</p> <p>Derek Kinsey,  Secretary.</p>		

