FRIENDS OF HAILEY PARK

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE ROYAL EXCHANGE, TYMAWR ROAD, LLANDAFF NORTH, WEDNESDAY $\mathbf{4}^{\text{TH}}$ SEPT 2013

	PRESENT.			
	CHAIRPERSON	Penny Bowers		
	SECRETARY.	Derek Kinsey		
	COMMITTEE.	Paul Rock, Esme Farewell		
	MEMBER.	Meriel Jones		
	PARK RANGER.	Gareth Stamp		
	THE MEETING WA	AS DECLARED INQUORATE.		
ITEM.		PAGE 1 of 3	ACTION	DATE
1.09.13	APOLOGIES.	1110111010	11011	DILLE
1.07.13		gfeldt, Donella Smith & Sylvia Ward.		
2.09.13	MINUTES OF THE LAS	ST MEETING.		
	These were read and acc	cepted as accurate.		
3.09.13	MATTERS ARISING.			
(i)	3.07.13 (ii) Cycle Cei			
	DK was tasked to record			
	during the commute ho			
	increase in cycle traffic	in the park of 30%, due to the bridge		
	provision, had been fore	cast. A previous park census conducted		
		d movements during the defined period		
	but only 14 cyclists used	I the bridge in the survey of 28 th August		
	2013. A further survey v	will be arranged and cyclists asked "did		
	you use Hailey Park for	your commute before the bridge was	DK.	
		vide more accurate information.		
(ii)	6.07.13 (iv) Playgrour			
	The Viper Unit in the pl			
		ct the council playgrounds officer to		
		vould continue to be responsible for		
		er damage be inflicted. Their response		
		o arson is automatically covered by		
	_	e could raise Health & Safety issues and		
	_	e or de-commission the unit until spare		
		h usually take 6-8 weeks, This routine		
(···)	will continue for the pre			
(iii)	6.07.13 (vi) Tennis C			
		et the responsible official regarding the		
		t net and support post. The equipment		
		ner facility which is supervised and replace has not been fulfilled and the	D.17	
		incillors was advocated to expedite.	DK	
	involvement of focal co	memors was auvocated to expedite.		
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4.09.13	TREASURER'S REPORT.		
	Cleared funds at the bank show a balance of £971.74		
5.09.13	BRIEF REPORTS.		
(i)	Opening of Loop Bridge, Friday 19 th July.		
	PB reported that over fifty people attended the event on a very hot day, the Lord Mayor officiated and FOHP provided		
	refreshments, which were very welcome, by means of a pop-up		
	café .The occasion was slightly soured when a Radyr councillor,		
	breaching protocol, objected to the title Hailey Park Loop		
	Bridge. As the name had been accepted by the local authority		
	and the loop line itself ran through the park the complaint was		
	inappropriate. However, considering the occasion and in the		
	interests of communal harmony, the remark was not contested.		
(ii)	Bat Walk, Wednesday 24 th July.		
	PB reported that the event was, again, very well attended and		
	has become a popular annual experience. Sightings are almost		
	totally dependent on prevailing weather conditions and walkers,		
	this time, were not disappointed		
(iii)	Blooms & Butterflies Walk 25 th July.		
	PB reported on another successful event always much enjoyed by the children. They are able to obtain a basic knowledge of the		
	ecology of the meadow by this close up, hands on experience		
	which should promote an awareness and appreciation for this		
	very special location. Cardiff Naturalists, regrettably, did not		
	attend this year.		
(iv)	Hay Rake. Sunday, 18 th August.		
	PB reported that about a dozen volunteers were present for the		
	task in ideal conditions, just warm with a cooling breeze. About		
	1500 sq/yd of meadow was raked after being cut a few days		
	before. Such attention improves the grass quality, promotes the		
	growth of wild flowers and adds to the appearance of the site.		
	Even allowing for an extended refreshment break, the task was		
6.09.13	completed half-hour before schedule. PARK ISSUES.		
(i)	Western Power.		
\ /	PB stated that Western Power had been conducting pylon		
	reparation work in the meadow area and their vehicles had		
	caused some damage to sensitive areas, most annoying		
	considering that the location has SINC status. GS maintained that		
	the company had completed an Environmental Impact		
	Assessment but the Parks Dept. failed to distribute a copy or		
	even notify FOHP of the impending operation. The company		
	have a delayed schedule because of possible disruption to		
	breeding birds. To add to the disturbance, company vehicles have		
	been witnessed travelling at excessive speeds in the area causing	DD	
(ii)	agitation and alarm. PB will attempt to obtain a copy of EIA. Litter.	PB	
(11)	The committee would like to express their sincere appreciation to		
	the following members who assist in litter picking activities and		
	help to maintain our high standard of cleanliness, Clive & Ann		
	Lawson, Mike Campden and IanRoberts.		
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Bat Boxes. GS will be installing bat boxes in the park from 10.00am, Friday 6 th September.		
FOHP ISSUES.		
Banking Arrangements. It was considered advisable to use the facilities of a local clearing bank as current arrangements, having to post transactions with no internet resource, are proving unsatisfactory.		
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