

FRIENDS OF HAILEY PARK

MINUTES OF THE BI-MONTHLY MEETING HELD AT THE ROYAL EXCHANGE TYMAWR ROAD, LLANDAFF NORTH AT 7.00pm WEDNESDAY, 5TH SEPT.2018.

	<p>PRESENT.</p> <p>CHAIRPERSON. Penny Bowers</p> <p>TREASURER/ SECRETARY. Derek Kinsey</p> <p>COMMITTEE. Mike Matty, Paul Rock, Derek Ford, Anita Smith</p> <p>PARK RANGER. Gareth Stamp.</p>		
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1.09.18	APOLOGIES. Russell Todd, Donella Smith.		
2.09.18	MINUTES OF THE JULY MEETING. These were read and accepted as accurate.		
3.09.18	<p>MATTERS ARISING. (3.07.18) – Sustainable Travel Policy.</p> <p>(i) PR confirmed that he had e-mailed copies of the agreed Hailey Park sustainable travel policy for possible inclusion in the proposed management plan. As no responses were received, he intends to pursue the matter requesting their observations and opinions</p> <p>(ii) (5.07.18) - Tennis Courts. PB stated that she had little further to report. If further Section 106 funds were to be made available the project will be completed although, as the new courts are wider than the previous, the remaining space will only accommodate two courts not three. A consultation process will decide on the usage of the space if the current configuration is not extended.</p>	PR	
4.09.18	<p>TREASURER’S REPORT. DK reported that bank funds at 31st August totalled £3059.37. Receipts to that date amounted to £441.60 and payments £319.53 resulting in disposable funds having increased by £122.07 over current year.</p>		
5.09.18	<p>BRIEF REPORTS. (i) Workday, Sunday 19th August. PB reported that the volunteers restored the bee bank in the meadow area. They removed weeds and cut back other vegetation to leave the site in a much tidier condition. The construction has survived extremely well and evidence showed that it is being used by solitary bees. Another task attempted was the removal of invasive vegetation along the meadow pathway The weather was sunny and warm, pleasant working conditions.</p>		

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<p>5.09.18</p> <p>(ii)</p> <p>(iii)</p> <p>(iv)</p>	<p>BRIEF REPORTS. (Cont.)</p> <p>Llandaff North Charitable Trust.</p> <p>The next meeting of the organisation is due to take place on Saturday, 22nd. September at the Llandaff North Hyb commencing 11.30am. Formal committee to be elected and general objectives and planning proposals discussed . Russell Todd of FOHP has indicated an intention to be involved Paul Rock of FOHP is also due to attend but will not seek officer status.</p> <p>Meadow.</p> <p>GS reported that a section of the meadow had been cut by the council in preparation for the hay rake on Sunday, 9th September. Staff availability meant that the cut was completed earlier than planned. Heavy rain forecast prior to the event will not make the task any easier. Different areas of the meadow could be considered for cutting but extensive willow outcrops limit the scope for treatment although it was accepted that such a departure would have a beneficial effect.</p> <p>Middle Field.</p> <p>The field in front of the changing rooms will again be used for rugby when the season commences. PB advocated a more sensitive mowing regime for the margins where wild flowers thrive so the council will be provided with precise pictorial information. PR suggested that when the pitches are lined and ready for use, a drone could be engaged complete with camera to obtain an aerial view. The images can be then forwarded to the parks team detailing the sensitive areas so any confusion will be eliminated. A drone owner was identified and suitable approaches will be made for his assistance.</p>	PB/PR	
<p>6.09.18</p> <p>(i)</p> <p>(ii)</p> <p>(iii)</p> <p>(iv)</p> <p>(v)</p>	<p>PARK ISSUES.</p> <p>Additional Planting.</p> <p>PB stated that, although they have a visual impact, daffodils provide little benefit for wildlife. She suggested that consideration be extended to acquiring other species of plants that would fulfil these values .i.e primroses.</p> <p>Bowling Green Site.</p> <p>GS confirmed that the wildflower seeds intended for the site were in stock. However, the ideal time for planting had elapsed, the ground needed to be rotovated by the parks support team and their work schedules did not allow this. Consequently, the planting will take place next spring.</p> <p>Rugby Club Equipment Container.</p> <p>DK confirmed that he had made contact with the Llandaff North Rugby Club officials regarding the graffiti on their container. It has remained there a considerable time, is very prominent and has been the subject of numerous complaints from park users. Green Flag judges would not be impressed when conducting an inspection. The problem has been acknowledged by the club with an assurance that the graffiti will be removed within a reasonable period. DK will monitor and continue to engage if necessary.</p> <p>Pop-Up Café.</p> <p>PR invited the committee to consider the concept of a pop-up café with a proposed site in the bowling green/tennis court area. A simple business plan could be drafted for this short term project with the intention of operating next summer. Equipment needed would be basic and the fare offered just tea/ coffee and cake. Council approval would be necessary for such a venture but in the meantime, PR will expand the idea and report in due course.</p> <p>Bowling Green Benches.</p> <p>These were removed over a year ago for safe storage and renovation. DK to enquire if the work is completed and the intended installation date.</p>	DK PR DK	

<p>6.09.18 (vi)</p>	<p>PARK ISSUES. Meadow Interpretation Board. As previously reported, the oak frame of this unit is decaying and needs replacing. The consensus was that a plastic replacement should be purchased and the artwork upgraded perhaps using Bug Life photographs that have a relevance .Frame replacement should cost £1500 and the art-work, completed in-house by a council team, will be free of charge .GS to investigate availability of funds from commercial sources Tesco, Asda etc. as other groups have benefitted in this way.</p>	<p>GS</p>	
<p>7.09.18 (i) (ii)</p>	<p>FOHP ISSUES. Summer Fair Dog Show. All the receipts from this event have been donated to the Llandaff North Christmas Lights appeal. Green Flag Community Award. FOHP achieved their sixth consecutive award at the presentation ceremony held in Barry on Tuesday, 17th July, just reward for all the hard work.</p>		
<p>8.09.18</p>	<p>AOB. None.</p>		
<p>9.09.18</p>	<p>DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING. Wednesday, 7th November at 7.00pm.</p> <p>Meeting closed 8.10pm.</p> <p>D.Kinsey, Secretary.</p>		