

FRIENDS OF HOMEFIELD

Committee Meeting Tuesday 1st March 2016 held at East Worthing Community Centre

1. **Present and apologies** Sarah Cutler, John Smith, Pam Bennett, George Hamilton, Jon Taylor, Pauline Cory, Ann Saunders, Cllr Roger Oakley.

Apologies, Mike and Mo Bailey.

2. **Minutes of last meeting** – These were agreed and signed.

3. Any Matters Arising from last Minutes

a. Cars reported parking outside Poodle Parlour – Roger has not noticed any but will keep checking. Roger also checked on parking restrictions around park – 2hour parking in Homefield and Chesswood Road, controlled parking zone in Park Road. Hundreds of residents parking permits have not been taken up and it is possible for non residents to purchase these if available. (Park Road and surrounding roads are zone G with none available and Chesswood, Homefield and surrounding roads are zone H. Visitors parking tickets can only be purchased by residents of the roads in the zone. Checked by Pam after meeting)

b. Although we now have a key for the barrier in the park, a sign is needed to put on the barrier to allow access as some cars are parking in front of it. Roger will contact Dan Humphries about this.

4. **Chairman's Report** The Skatepark Consultation on 13th Feb was well attended with many skaters there. It seemed that plan 3 was the most popular.

5. Treasurer's Report and Membership

Balance in February was £1963.06 Income – Subs £1, Donation £9.50 so total income for month £10.50.

Outgoings- Hire of room for Feb - £6.65 Hire of room for AGM - £35.80 Final payment for Benches £498 making total outgoings of £540.45

Cash in Bank - £1402.76, Cash In Hand £30.35 making a Total of £1433.11

Rob Sisk had suggested picnic tables for the park and John looked into this and showed sample booklet. Roger thought it might be possible to get two with no match funding necessary. John to check with firm called McVie Parker. The new bench will be erected opposite 'Christine's Rowan tree' in next few weeks.

6. **Website and Facebook** – 347 Likes. It is obvious that when photos go up we get more likes!

7. **Any Other Business** – a) Pam asked whether people were more likely to read a Newsletter than the Minutes. It was decided to send out a Newsletter in the main body of the email with the Minutes in an attachment for anybody wishing to read them.

b) Committee to meet at 9.45am for the Clean up and Easter Egg Hunt on 28th March.

c) Roger suggested the Community Service Probation Service could provide helpers for any future heavy lifting Pauline needs. Pauline was thanked for all she is doing in the Haven for the park.

d) Andy to be given a gentle reminder about the Noticeboard for the park!

e) No flooding in the park so far since Southern Water spent a lot of money on cleaning and repairing the drainage and sewer of the Teville Stream.

8. **Date and time of next meeting** – Tuesday 5th April at 7.30 at East Worthing Community Centre.