

FRIENDS OF HOMEFIELD

Committee Meeting Tuesday 9th February 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, Rob Sisk.

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

3. **Any Matters Arising from last Minutes** – Tennis Courts – We heard at AGM that Worthing Town Football Club were pulling out of the Multi Games set up and Tony Elliott was no longer Manager there. But Andy Edwards assured us that this would still be going ahead. Pauline spoke to Andy yesterday and he confirmed this but said the refurbishment of the Skate Park would be the priority and should start in April. The fencing round the tennis courts would also be replaced which meant that the wild flower sowing in The Haven alongside the fence would not be able to be done. Pam received an email and poster from Lucy Adams and Andy about a consultation in the Sidney Walter Centre on Saturday 13th 10-11.30am about the plans. As this was short notice, only received the day of this meeting, Pam asked John S if he could print and laminate 10 posters and bring to this meeting so that they could be put round the park. She also asked Sarah N if she could put it on FB. Thanks to both John and Sarah N for doing this so promptly.

4. **Chairman's Report**

Sarah was pleased that a Tree Walk had at last been arranged and Peter Whish has kindly offered to do this on Saturday 16th April at 10.30am and it would be about 1 ½ hours. There would be no charge.

5. **Treasurer's Report and Membership**

Balance in December was £2441.56

Income – Subs £19, Donation £9, making total income for month £28

Outgoings- Hire of room for Nov £6.50 (this was accounted for in Dec report) Deposit for bench £500 making total outgoings of £506.50

Cash in Bank - £1936.56, Cash In Hand £33, making a Total of £1933.76

The cheque of £35.80 for the room hire for the AGM had not been presented yet.

There are 19 paid up members so far (Pauline joined at this meeting)

6. **Website and Facebook** – We have had 334 Likes on Facebook. The more we put on there, the more Likes we get.

7. **Any Other Business** - John met with Peter Whish to see the best place for the bench and John gave out maps for us to decide on best siting. It was decided on the east side near Christine's tree. The one near the skate park could come later after works have been finished. George questioned whether the one near the skate park was a good idea but the rest of the committee felt it was as parents like to keep an eye on their younger users, especially when the new ramps are made for them to use.

John now has a key for the barrier. Pauline was pleased about this as it has been difficult for her to park with compost etc for The Haven and she has actually received a £60 fine. Roger said he would let NSL know that Pauline was part of the charity working in the park but whether that will make it any easier is another matter!

REMINDERS – Park Clean up and Easter Egg Hunt – Monday 28th March 10-11 am

Tree Walk – Saturday 16th April at 10.30 -12 with Peter Whish.

8. **Date and time of next meeting** – Tuesday 1st March at 7.30 at East Worthing Community Centre.