

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 19th October 2005

Present: S Parratt-Halbert,, D Ward, M Smith, R Saywell, N Spouse, M Hood, B&P Ellis,, S Crabtree, R Ketley, B Darrand

Apologies: J Ketley, N Marshall, B Pyle

1. Health and safety was discussed

2 Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true record after an item re the refusal of the local authority to allow the Christmas Market in the park was added

3. Matters arising

a. The weather lottery is in progress now. A £50 refundable deposit has been paid and membership forms would be available shortly

b. The web site is quite busy and has recorded frequent visits

c. Debbie has referred the plight of the black swan to RSPCA but has had no response yet.

4. Two members of the Corner Pin angling club addressed the meeting and reported that all was going well with the organisation of the fishing in the park. They reported that a very large carp was in the lake and could cause problems if anglers tried to catch it using unsuitable equipment. The fish apparently would be very valuable to the carp society if caught to the possible value of £2,000-£3,000. The sale of the fish would enable them to purchase a considerable number of young fish to restock the lake. It was agreed that this course of action should be taken. No progress had been made yet on facilities for the disabled as priority was being given to the possibility of installing fountains to improve that water quality

5. Sandra informed the meeting that Doncaster had been awarded a silver guilt by Britain in Bloom. She thanked the group for their input and attending on the day to speak with the judges.

6. Russell presented the park wardens report to the meeting.

7. Other business.

a. A hanging basket demonstration will be held at the Sandallwood centre on 31st October.

b. Siggy reported that she and Debbie have been invited to a presentation event by the Regen School.

c. Sandra reported that she had entered FOSP for the spirit of Doncaster award.

d. The certificate of registration for holding lotteries and raffles etc. had been received from Neighbourhood Services.

e. A letter had been received from Mr Plevy requesting sight of our business plan for the park buildings. It was agreed that this should remain in abeyance until Siggy returns from leave in two weeks time.

8. The date of the next meeting was fixed for Wednesday November 16th.