

Friends of Sandall Park
Minutes of Special General Meeting¹
Wednesday 16th February 2011
(Sandalwood Centre)

Apologies: D & S Crabtree, L Nokes

Present: R & J Ketley, C & C Burton, M Smith, E & D Hughes, S Stokes, M Downing, N & W Gethin, L Handley, N Kilburn

1. Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes of previous meeting read and agreed.

2. Matters arising from previous minutes

- i. The 'pongy corner' of the lake – a quote, which is expensive, has been provided.

3. Business Plan

3(i) Crime

Nothing to report.

3(ii) Park Development

a. Boat House Area

The area is still too boggy to proceed at present.

b. Future Projects:

i. Obstacle Course:

Ron is still working on the grant application. As we do not own the land, a letter is required from DMBC giving us permission to carry out the work. Ron to pursue.

ACTION: Ron to pursue grant application.

ii. Tree Planting:

Carol organised the planting of the 50 trees with the help of her family, other volunteers and the ILM team.

iii. Boat Planter:

The boat has now been painted. Mrs Plevey has volunteered her husband to advise on the selection of plants. FakeFestivals are to sponsor the area and provide £700. This will pay for a notice board depicting the history of the park which Sarah is researching. It was suggested this could take the form of a time line.

iv. Trim Trail on golf course:

Enquiries ongoing, still awaiting a quote.

v. Lake Edging:

In abeyance.

vi. Fountains in Lake:

In abeyance.

vii. Research History of Park:

Sarah completing research.

3(iii) Angling Club

- i. An increase in activities is expected now the weather has improved.

- ii. Pegs numbers 14, 7 & 8 have been removed, the latter two because they were unsafe.

3(iv) Communications

- i. The notice boards have been updated, and Don has timed new notices to be coming up on the website each day whilst he is away.

3(v) Funding

¹ In accordance with the Charity Commission Constitution, all general meetings shall be called Special General Meetings.

Treasurers Report was presented by Neil.

3(vi) Events

- a. Quiz Night
The quiz night raised £272.
- b. Walking Festival
Was completed.
- c. Fake Festival
Tickets available from Sandra
- d. Music in the Park 2011
Nothing additional to report at this time.
- e. OPAL Survey
To be conducted in the hedgerows in the spring.

4. Any Other Business

- a. The suitability of the name given to the boat was discussed and left in abeyance for the next meeting.
- b. Sarah informed the group that the Gateway school continue to do litter picking in the park on a weekly basis.
- c. Neil K asked if notice boards might be erected to show which areas of the park were home to specific birds.
- d. Eva raised £200 at her coffee morning for the Aurora Centre.
- e. Ron had photocopied an article from the national press re potential fatal diseases caused by dog waste. It was suggested that this could go in the notice boards.

5. Date of next meeting: Wednesday 16th March 2011