

Friends of Sandall Park
Minutes of Special General Meeting¹
Wednesday 19th April 2017
Sandalwood Communal Hall

Present: S & D Crabtree, R & J Ketley, L Jones, Carol Burton, C Pugh, W Barclay, E Hughes, B Senior, M Smith

Apologies: D Bewell, M Downing, S Stokes, Carolyne Burton, K Ismay-Johnston, N Marshall, S Holland, N Gethin

1. Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

2. Matters arising from previous minutes

- (i) Missing rubbish bin – has been replaced by a brand new bin.
- (ii) Dead Trees – have been reported by Sandra to DMBC Street Scene and Tree Team though it is not known whether it will be progressed, there hasn't been a response.
- (iii) Easter Activities: Don reported an excellent event with over £1000 raised. Everyone who volunteered on the day was thanked for their efforts. The four pools worked a lot better, and more volunteers for the Egg Hunt was definitely successful. Extra help from friends, Young Muslimahs and DWP were a bonus. The Bonnet competition will need more formal organisation next year.
- (iv) PSPO Signs: Discussion about where signs should go: dogs on leads near lake ought to go on rubbish bins; one for playground on playground fence; option for picking up after dogs on main Information boards along the path.
- (v) Banking on Playbuilder Tower: Eva has reported this, an inspection has been carried out and the appropriate work will be undertaken.
- (vi) Car Park lining of the main car park will be undertaken after the Easter holidays.
- (vii) B & Q seed was collected last month by Ron, Jean Don and Sandra and taken to Ready Steady Store.
- (viii) The Bridge Engineer will be meeting Don tomorrow just to see what the possibilities are for a bridge and whether it's feasible.
- (ix) Spiling Training for the Angling Club is being looked at by Dawn Stephens and with a view to obtaining funding.

3(i) Crime

- a. We have been receiving lots of information about who is dog fouling where. We've also received good intelligence about where the stolen goal posts are. This has been passed to the police.
- b. Two youngsters were challenged kicking the fitness trail signs on the golf course, and trying to damage the fitness benches. They were advised about their conduct. No damage was caused.

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

3(ii) Park Development

- a. Maintenance Plan
 - (i) Benches still need painting, but need a full team to tackle that.
- b. Projects
 - (i) Tesco Fund – This is for the Inclusive Swing for the Barnby Dun Road site. We've had notification that it will be going into our bank account and this should be finalised within a week or so.
 - (ii) The Woodland Adventure Play: Don and Sandra met with Ben Russell after the Egg Hunt to discuss different options for the equipment. A supplier was decided upon as best value.
 - (iii) Green Flag Award: Judges are due to come out on 6th June but it was felt that we were failing with the Management Plan, things weren't getting done systematically and this would be checked by the judges.

3(iii) Angling Club

- a. Fountain: should be delivered next week for installation.
- b. Dawn Stephens is looking into the training in 'spiling'
- c. The Siltex will go in once the fountain is up and running, a work party will be set up to undertake the task.
- d. Repairs to gabions are still an issue and need sorting. Don said he would have a go at tackling as it desperately needs doing. Les and Col said they'd help.

3(iv) Football Club

- a. Eva said she believed that Andy Maddox was looking into how the football club could be helped to get organised after all the disruption.

3(v) Communications

- a. Don said after the previous invasion by spyware, he'd done a back up which caused problems with the web site. Some things had to be deleted as there was too much on it, and this itself caused problems.
- b. The notice boards have all been updated.
- c. BBC Radio Sheffield's Clueless programme will be finishing in the park this Sunday, though this is to be kept secret until then.

3(vi) Funding

- a. 100 Club draw took place at the meeting and the winners were: E Hughes; D Crabtree: B Senior

- b. Treasurer's Report

From Kristen:

The committee need to agree to two things:

1. My use of internet banking to view the accounts and also to make payments. This will be used to pay expense claims from the main purchasers (Sandra, Wendy, etc) and also for 100 club winnings after the renewal (I plan to change the renewal form to allow people to add their bank details).

2. Ordering a debit card with three authorised users.

It was resolved:

1 That the Business apply to Lloyds Bank plc or Lloyds Bank International Limited (as appropriate) ("the Bank") for the issue of Business Debit Cards to authorised users as determined by the Business from time to time. The cards to be subject to the Business Debit Card Terms and conditions, a copy of which was produced to the meeting and approved.

2 That Any two officers from time to time are authorised to request the Bank to issue Business Debit Cards to certain authorised and are authorised to sign the application form and any other relevant documentation on behalf of the Organisation.

3 That the Bank is authorised to debit the Organisation's account number that is specified in the application form for the Business Debit Cards with all transactions effected under such Business Debit Cards together with any interest thereon and with any fees for the issue and renewal of such Business Debit Cards and that the Organisation will be responsible for any overdraft so created with interest.

4 The Organisation acknowledges that the authorised users will be able to access information about the Organisation's account when using a Business Debit Cards

3(vii) Events

- a. Party in the Park & Eid in the park: arrangements are in hand for both. As the organisers supported our Easter events, it is hoped some of our volunteers can assist at theirs.
- b. Discussion about what would be a good day to do an activity day in the park, along with a Meet and Greet, and tombola. A tombola on this date instead of Lions Fun Day as Wendy can't make 19th August. Agreed to discuss later with a view to a day in August. Anita Proudfoot to be invited to put on some sporting activities on the same day.
- c. Wendy has advised Anita Johnson that it will be a joint submission from FoSP and the Angling Club.

4. Any Other Business

- a. Eva said she'd got some rose bushes and lilies for the park if Wendy wanted them.
- b. Les said that due to his work situation he wouldn't be able to volunteer in the park on a regular basis like he has done in the past.

Meeting concluded 7.40pm.

5. **Date of next meeting** 7pm Wednesday 17th May