



## The Friends of Hammonds Pond

### Minutes of the meeting - 17th April 2013 - held in The Park Cafe

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**Present:** S Ford, P Herring, D Pearson, J Pasley, J Thompson,  
S Brock, B Bain, K Smith, PCSO T Labram K Carruthers, M Hodgkinson A Scott  
P Mallabarn, D Sproat,

**Apologies:** E Cox, F Nelson, Cllr Warwick, Cllr Wilson,  
G Hardie, PC1689 Debbie Hall, B Scroggie J. Rickerby, M. Saint Vincent

**Minutes of the last meeting:** Minutes of last meeting were read, all agreed

#### Business of the Meeting:

##### 1. AGM:

**Review of last Year:** Car Boot, Love Parks Week, Gala Games Halloween, and Dancing All Successful considering the weather was poor over the summer.

Thanks were given by DS to the Green space team for their efforts and support.

**Income /Expenditure;** explained and queries answered. This was handed over to Jo Last year and she has made information very clear on the paper work. Well done Jo.

**Charity of the Year 2012-13:** Carlisle Young Carers FHP funds to match moneys from the charity collection box and the car boot sale. £300.00. CYC are keen to get press coverage of presentation of the cheque.

#### Future Plans

*Charity of the year 2013/14*

FHP Agreed with suggestion Hospice at home.

Charity boxes to remain in the cafe. Keen to do another Car boot/Table top sale. Hopefully in the summer to be discussed at next meeting.

*Ben Gate.* SF to get dates JP explained this does not need to be tied in to love parks week.

*Summer Splash* Dates to be forwarded from PCSO/ PC

*Music in the park:* live music in the park through the summer Saturday afternoon? Source cafe Denton Holmes open mike nights may have recommendations, JP/DP Licence needed.

*Bird box building* St Margaret Mary's are coming. Dates to be arranged DP/DS. Pop up gazebo available. SF to ask governors at upperby Primary. Bird box camera to transmit images to the cafe? Purchase a monitor with CD/DVD player. DP/DS.

## **Election of Officers:** *Through nominations and seconding*

- **Chair Person - Sally Ford**
- **Deputy Chair - Donald Cape**
- **Secretary - Kerry-anne Carruthers**
- **Treasurer - Joanne Thompson**

## **2. City Council Update:**

- Area in front of compound following leak to be resurfaced as this hasn't been repaired to satisfaction. ASAP
- Wiring to the Railway completed, mosquito is working effectively and is secure, work to grass surface to be flattened.
- Volunteers' day: to work on the cafe area and surrounding flower beds, give it a good blitz and will then be maintained by staff. DP to come back with dates.
- Small amount of graffiti this is being dealt with.
- Upperby Gala DP to email poster to put up and on Facebook.
- Meeting Friday: Car parks to be used to reduce moving vehicles on the fields, litter picking on the day, trades updated re; responsibility to reduce littering. Litter bins to be reinstated next week.
- Boating Tender- Neil Watson Country experiences will hold the new tender here and at talkin tarn and begin on Gala Day.
- Currock Bowling area JP /DP are chasing up.
- Swan nesting area: fence to remain in place. We have 3 Cygnets on the pond.

## **3. Michael Saint – Education & Enforcement Team** Unable to attend the meeting.

## **4. Police Update:**

- Happily there is little to report.
- Made aware of swan eggs disappearing, Group of Youths who wouldn't leave park is in hand, Directing people to Pagoda- happy with the re-site. Small amount of graffiti on the park. Caught some one on the toilet block roof,
- Bikes still being taken in the area, Police are actively doing bike ID mark ups. Any suspicious behaviour at the backs of gardens, to be reported to 101.
- Team of specials to attend the Gala: Bike marking on the day.
- City council, Police & FHP to be a feature in an article of good working /practice.

City Council thanked the Police and FHP for their continual good working and support.

## **5. Events 2013:**

**Upperby Gala** FPH to put information board on display DS/ JT SF to sort.

**Future events;** to be discussed at the next meeting.

## 6. AOB:

**Notice Boards:** Railway is using the outdoor display board to advertise their activities and is effective.

New board coming soon: KC to create poster and decorate indoor board, draft shown and given ok.

**Insurance** is due Cheque SF/JT

**Video-** Cheque required JT/SF

DVD will be used for promotion, archiving and fund raising. DP to investigate flat screen/DVD player in cafe area to show footage. Licences required. TV and CD player kindly offered.

**First Aid certificate** - JP to chase up.

**Funding:** Fire- Climbing Wall, promotions, music events.  
Funding sources SF to look into.

**Radio Cumbria;** interviewing in the Park 3 programmes, Day tripper. SF to email Sound bite link to put in Facebook.

**Finally** - A VERY BIG THANK YOU TO DAVID FOR HIS ROLE AS CHAIR AND CONTINUAL SUPPORT AND ENTHUSIASM. THIS IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED.

**Next Meeting date will be 19<sup>th</sup> June 2013 at Park Cafe @ 6pm.**