

## Friends of Priory Fields

Minutes of Committee meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 7.30 pm

Present

Ian Read, Chair [IR], Julie Norman [JN], Malcolm Whipp [MW], Den Harvey [DH], John Bishop (Acting Secretary), [JB]

1. Apologies - Dave Oxley-Goody, Linden Rosam and Jo Britter

2. Minutes of last meeting & matters arising

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted, with no matters arising

3. Chairman's Report

IR asked if we should send the usual Christmas cards and it was agreed we should. IR will supply a list of names and JN will produce suitable cards.

DH reported that he had spoken to the Brewers and got agreement that they would again supply a meal as one of our raffle prizes. The date of December 10 had been booked for the FoPF Christmas celebration at the Brewers. It was suggested that John Summerford should be invited as a guest.

4. Finance report

The Treasurers report was accepted.

JB confirmed that the current bank signatories are, John Bishop, Jo Britter, Dave Oxley Goody, Ian Read and Linden Rosam.

5. Working Party Report

At the next work party it is proposed to trim the football hedge, flail the EWM and WWM and trim branches overhanging paths.

Jo has asked if her son could help with the work parties as part of his Duke of Edinburgh's award. This has been cleared with the insurance company and there was unanimous agreement to his joining us.

DH suggested that we should wear the hi-viz vests at work parties to attract attention and advertise who we are.

6. Fund Raising

There had been some confusion re applying for a License for holding raffles. An application by IR, complete with the correct fee should be successful.

The raffle tickets have been printed and the main prizes have been agreed.

It was agreed to use a modified version of last year's poster. JN will ask Maypole Press about printing.

An advert for the raffle has been sent to In Touch for inclusion in the November issue.

7. Field Projects.

The Westwood mower is still being worked on by MW and NR.

JN raised the possibility of allowing plaques or similar for pets as well as for relatives. It was agreed we need to specify what would be allowed – JN to consider and make a formal proposal. The bench currently on the south side of the east water meadow by the Old Bridge is to be moved close to the Orchard where it is believed it will be used by more people. Linden could place her plaque on this bench if she wishes.

8, P.C. Issues

The clerk has agreed that they will pay the subscription to the Open Spaces Society.

In the absence of the PC rep we were unable to get an update on the other current issues.

9, Publicity & News items.

No issues raised.

10, Date of next meeting Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018.