Minutes of Friends of Priory Fields committee meeting 6th October 2022

<u>Present.</u> Den, Malcolm, Trevor, Angelina, Nick, Julie, Sandy, Dave, Ian and Mary

Apologies. Apologies from Jo

Minutes of last meeting. Read and agreed.

<u>Chairman's report</u>. It has been decided not to have any fliers on our notice board apart from our own, for the school or PC.

There have been discussions regarding having a "buddy bench" on the fields and if agreed, where. Decisions to be made at a later date.

Motorbikes and e-scooters are being driven in the fields, which is of concern. Apart from the obvious dangers they are not insured if an accident should occur and we feel the parents need to be made aware. The village hall CCTV is not very clear and does not cover enough area to identify the culprits.

New more efficient safety helmets, visors and ear defenders to be purchased.

Finance. Jo sent copies of our latest accounts, current account - £1315.66, deposit account - £9637.14, and cash in hand - £419.65. This includes donations for Jubilee trees.

Working parties. Last working party - overgrown areas flailed, hedge next to flagpole trimmed and the stream cleared. Next working party - the bolts on Priory bridge need tightening and general maintenance.

Events. The raffle will be held at the village Christmas light switch on at the school on 5th December. Ian to see to having the raffle tickets printed and advertising.

Field projects. Jubilee trees - need to decide which trees to order but they will not be available until November as still not dormant. Ian has bought the ties and we need to source the stakes.

PC matters. Rubbish on football fields and the parking becoming an issue, which is the responsibility of the football club.

There is a possibility we may be able to acquire the plot of land next to the priory arch but it will not be in the near future.

<u>Publicity and news items</u>. Dave will submit an article to the In Touch mentioning the rubbish being left on the fields and advertising the raffle.

Any other business. Ideas how to celebrate King Charles's coronation next May. Possibly a large chestnut tree?

Date of next meeting. Thursday 10th November 2022 at 7.30.