

Minutes of Friends of Priory Fields committee meeting
10th November 2022

Present. Trevor, Den, Ian, Mary, Dave, Jo, Nick, Malcolm, Julie and Sandy

Apologies for absence. Angelina

Minutes of last meeting. Read and agreed.

Chairman's report. Has anyone read the Green Flag questionnaire? Should we continue with it?

Finance. Jo presented our latest accounts. Current account - £1,189.71, deposit account - £9,637.14 and cash in hand - £419.65.
Jo is finding it awkward to make any cash deposits due to closure of local banks.

Working parties. The last working party was looking at the possible new land, which could prove to be an interesting project, a number of sleepers were repaired on Priory Bridge and general flailing. The next working party will be positioning back the bench which was moved including the concrete being lifted, digging a trench and preparing the ground for the new trees and if considered necessary mow the grass.

Events. The raffle tickets are selling slower than previous years. We will use the tables from the hall and ask to use public address system from school. Den is making the arrangements for the Christmas dinner and the Christmas cards are on going.

Field projects. People are asking the reason for the weir and we are explaining it is to help the wild life especially the water voles. 70 trees have been ordered and chosen but they are still not dormant, we are waiting to hear when they will be ready for collection. We may decide to leave until January. We have a map of places to plant the trees.

P. C. Matters. Waiting to hear about a parking attendant for match days. The car park gate is to be closed at certain times at night. Considering a kissing gate to stop motor cyclists entering all fields. CCTV - to check with school and Stuart Little if footage can be viewed. Ask Richard Poulter to proceed regarding the extra land and access via Priors Field. The coronation celebration event is to be held on May13th.

Publicity and news items. Dave is to write an article for the PC Newsletter regarding the motorbikes and electric scooters being ridden on the fields and also about the damage to both the benches. Dave has also agreed to check for CCTV coverage re. damage to benches on 8th November.

Any other business. None

Date of next meeting Thursday 8th December 2022 at 7.30.