

Curdrige Reading Room and Recreation Ground Charity

Minutes of meeting on 6th June 2016

Those attending: Elaine Flower, David Picton-Jones, Sheila McCarty, Penny Gregory, Ian Hine, Emma Downer.

Welcome – Meeting started at 19:33

Trustees confirmed that David Picton-Jones will remain as Chairperson for the forthcoming year.

Please note – these minutes have been typed to record discussions under the relevant heading and not necessarily in the order in which they were discussed at the meeting.

2. Minutes of last meeting - Signed as correct.

3. Matters Arising from last meeting – all to be discussed in main agenda or through reports submitted prior to meeting.

4. House

Please see Ian's monthly report, circulated by email.

Additional discussion points resulting from report:

SGHQ Lease - David awaiting contact from Jon Woodman.

Friday group in SGHQ - Ian is monitoring their usage of the hall. We need to be careful of them acquiring rights to access the hall.

Community Communications - Ian to reword the trustee message to the members post AGM and then send to the Parish Magazine for wider publication.

Website for the beer festival - Ian to arrange the renewal of the domain name.

Holidays - Elaine; 9 June to 22 June or 11 July depending on Euro 2016, Penny; 26 July to 4 August and 30 August to 6 September, Sheila; 4-13 August, Ian; 12-26 August, David; 20 July to 18 August, Emma; 22-26 August. Meetings agreed for 18 July and 7 September.

Skinner Field signs - The wooden frameworks have been erected in the field and will be 'mocked up' with white boards to mimic what the final result might look like. This will enable us to review visibility from the road. David and Ian liaising with Larry.

Inventory - Ian to get on and organise the photo's - use Emma's if need be.

PAT tests - Waiting for a date from Rob Wedge to complete the Show equipment tests.

Heating - Radiator with leaks to be removed 8th June.

Cleaning - Ian liaising with Amy for Spring Clean.

Cricket Club - Need to review their lease for their obligations for the upkeep of the grounds.

Drone footage - The drone is out of action - remove from agenda.

Playground - Ian has chased Jenny Whittle to find out the date for this years inspection.

Path and playground repairs - Ian to check with Jim to see if he has a contact for a 'make do' repair.

Skateboarders - Rik has reported that the dog agility equipment has been used by local skateboarders. This is difficult to police and monitor. Ian to speak to Rik and both to report on 101. We've also had reports of kids on the roof of the building. Ian to investigate the use of motion triggered CCTV so that we may identify the culprits. Ian to arrange signage to help protect Rik's equipment.

5 Finance

£36156.30 CAF Gold / £52.27DR CAF Cash / £73654.27 Virgin

6 Grounds

Broken bench – Ian still dealing with the insurance company.

Tree trunks - Removed from Skinner Field - **Closed.**

Nets - No contact from Piers.

7 Miscellaneous

Curdrige Show – Entertainment being organised including Charley Gregory, the Bundles and MJC on his didgeridoo! David to organise children's games, Rik is organising dog agility. The White House will be sponsoring the event and Code 9 will be doing the security.

Overpayment by Echo: We have made several attempts to return the money which has proved fruitless. Agreed to keep - **Closed.**

Church - Roger has written to enquire whether we would be interested in joining with the church to promote and hold a tribute band concert. David will continue to liaise but not commit at present.

8 Redevelopment

Garfield and Weston - There is a possibility that we can apply for a specific grant to purchase stacked seating as this will make the new hall more accessible to local residents - **Elaine to investigate and apply.**

Trustees had a meeting with Simon Bull last week. Simon is favouring an option agreement although Nick Vaughan is favouring a conditional contract. Simon's solicitor is away on holiday but he will check when back.

VAT - Both companies approached for guidance are covered by Public Indemnity insurance and both are Chartered Accountants. Elaine to check with Andrew Jackson whether he is covering the type of contract involved and if he is, she will engage.

David has emailed local councillors to keep them informed as to our progress (Roger Bentote and Vivian Achwal from the Lib Dems and Roger Huxtep from the Conservative party). Roger has said he is happy to help with community engagement and meet with us to see the building.

9 AOB

Toilets - Penny showed a newspaper article which talked about pressure on councils to provide public toilets. Elaine to scan and send to Kevan for his thoughts.

Meeting closed 21:26

Meeting dates in 2016

18 July

7 September

3 October

7 November

5 December