# Millfields Users Group AGM 3rd March 2012

Present: Hamilton Hawksworth, Gill Harris, Jane Bednall, Colin Croggon, Wendy Reid, Anne Clifford, Emma Jack, Tim Evans, Ruth Smyth, Diane Bernhardt, Sabbir Lunat, Cleo Williams, Harry Hewat, Vivienne Foxley, Claire Kelly, Michael Rowe, Teddy Sawyer, Anna O'Brien, Etienne Michelin, Louisa Ziane, Pinny Crane, Michael Murnane, Karen Elmes

- 1. **Apologies** received from: Ian Rathbone, Barry Buitekant, Carrie Rutherford, Malcolm Fergusson, Anna O'Sullivan, John O'Sullivan, Tony Lowe, Katie Hirst
- 2. The chair **welcomed** everyone and we reviewed how we want meetings to run

## 3. Introductions

All present introduced themselves, described their interest in the park and said whether they were standing for the committee.

A vote of thanks to Bob Benge, stepping down as chair after 4 years on the committee, was proposed and passed by acclamation.

- 4. A written **review of the year** was presented and discussed.
- 5. The **treasurer's report** was presented.

#### 6. Committee

11 people stood for the committee's 12 seats and so were accepted without elections being necessary. The new committee is:

Emma Jack, Tim Evans, Barry Buitekant, Ruth Smyth, Diane Bernhardt, Carrie Rutherford, Sabbir Lunat / Cleo Williams (seat-share), Harry Hewat, Vivienne Foxley, Claire Kelly, Michael Rowe

# 7. Development projects

An exhibition about current development projects had been prepared by the working groups (Casimir Road entrance area, Play areas north and south, National Grid road). We had an informal stand-up discussion over a cup of tea and gathered written and oral reactions, then sat down for a plenary discussion.

Among other points, opening the kiosk as a café was liked; there was a discussion of the possibilities of using the disused pool partly for a 'gap garden' and/or food growing, and for events such as a pop-up market.

Pinny Grylls joined the Play working group. Louisa Ziane expressed interest in helping set up a working group on dogs, and in helping with an event to publicise the changes to the Black Path shared use layout.

### 8. Leyton Marsh

We heard an update on the Save Leyton Marsh campaign.

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