

Millfields Users Group Open meeting, 7 December 2011: Minutes

Chair: Amy Erickson, Hackney Parks Forum

Present: Tim Evans, Bob Bengé, Emma Jack, Vivienne Foxley, Darrel White, Malcolm Fergusson, Amy Erickson, Diane Bernhardt, Christine Kings, M Murnane, C Croggon, Wendy Reid, M Doyle, E de Boisgelin, Nadja Rajgelj, Tony Lowe, Anna O'Sullivan, John O'Sullivan, Anna O'Brien, Ruth Smyth, Anne Clifford

In attendance: Ben Kennedy (LBH Streetscene)

1. Apologies: Ciara & Paul Devlin, Barry Buitekant, Ian Rathbone, Deniz Oguzkanli, Jane Willdigg, Mark Bell, Theo Thomas, David White, Gilbert Smyth, Bruce Irving (Development officer)
 2. The agenda was agreed
 3. Minutes of last meeting were agreed
Arising: It was agreed to report on items 7, Cycle path and 9, Play, under Item 9, Progress reports, time permitting, and otherwise to provide written updates.
 4. Treasurer's report
Noted that the group holds £502.71 in unrestricted funds
 5. **Committee election process**
A process for committee elections was tabled and approved without amendment for use in 2012.
 6. **Motion**
A motion from Michael Murnane and Wendy Reid was tabled. The chair ruled that too little notice had been given for a notice proposing changes to the constitution. The meeting discussed the issues raised. It was agreed to place the motion as a separate item on the blog to encourage discussion before the AGM.
 7. **Casimir Road entrance and surrounding area**
A paper on possible redesign of the Casimir Road entrance area was tabled, taking in the derelict paddling pool and the northern edge path.
It was agreed to delegate to a working group and the following were appointed:
Harry Hewat
Lisa Rigg
Tony Lowe
Nadja Rajgelj
Michael Doyle (withdrew later)
Anna O'Brien
The working group's immediate brief is to present options to the user group, with costings so far as possible.
 8. **National Grid Road**
It was reported that National Grid are about to remove the lay-by and east-side railings. It was proposed to take the opportunity to press for removal of the older west side railings, and also the railings around the 'village green' (former dog-free area). On a show of hands, the view was:
Remove only east side railings: 6
Remove both east side and village green railings: 12
Leave all railings: 0
 9. Updates
Time didn't permit and written reports will be given
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