

Minutes of MUG committee meeting October 20th Rangers Hut

Present : committee members Carrie Rutherford, Bhavesh Hindocha, Gill Harris, Harry Hewat plus Georgie Brown (Parks Development Officer)

Apologies: Helen Morris, Will Smith

Minutes of last meeting accepted.

Matters Arising:

1. Chatsworth Road / Millfields Park junction dangerous for pedestrians and cyclists. Bhavesh to write to Ben Kennedy, Streetscene. Harry to contact London Cycling Campaign
2. Millfields Park Improvements: Georgie reported they are progressing well. Railings on South Millfields along the path from Hillstowe Street being dismantled. Council still considering spend for remaining budget. Sam Parry. / Katie Jones will be in touch with us poss next week about this. Harry reminded us that National Grid rental for land next to the community orchard is ringfenced and last 2 years funds could be used. Discussion about the possibility of planting trees including fruit trees from the Tree Nursery where railings stood. Agreed to look at this once the work is finished.
3. Park Lodge identified as one of MUGs 3 top priorities. Georgie undertaking an options appraisal of all 4 lodges looking at refurb costs, common land issues etc and will be reporting to her managers next Spring. Committee requested user involvement in the process and offered help with sourcing funding partnerships.
4. Cheque signatories: Carrie, Bhavesh and Gill
5. Gazebo: Carrie offered to keep in her shed

AGENDA

6. Social Media
 - Facebook Page up and running thanks to Louisa. Website needs updating incl minutes. Bhavesh offered to take over responsibility. He will also ensure Council Event Officer has correct emails for current MUG officers. Carrie to write page about MUG for website.
 - 2.Green Flag
 - Millfields now has this award. Involves ongoing management plan with annual updates . Georgie handed out SWOT analysis of different areas of the park to be used to update plan. Comments needed v soon and to be coordinated by Bhavesh.
 - 3.Wildflower planting

Requests to increase areas planted with wildflowers on the new meadow near Chatsworth Road. Decided to create more circles and to net to put off the pigeons. Gill to source seeds . Possible date 10.30 on Sunday 22nd November. Gill to contact Michael Dixon and to ask for help disposing of turf by providing brown bins and also to suggest wild flowers along the path of the old railings.

Georgie reported that 34k bulbs being planted.

G keen for volunteer corporate involvement and local schools.

4. Tennis Courts

2 urgently need renovating. Georgie to check with Sam what plans there are and to put this in the management plan.

Next meeting 10th November 6.30 Millfields rangers hut