

Friends of Winterfield

Minutes

Date 15th May 2012
Time 7.30pm
Location Gordon Millar's house
Attended by: Gordon Millar, Denise Wilson, Esther Hughes, Fay Stanton, Judy Miller, Jane Jacqui Bell
Chair: Gordon Millar
Minutes Esther Hughes

Subject: General Committee Meeting

1) Chairperson's welcome and introductions

Gordon Millar opened the meeting

2) Apologies

Jane Macintyre, Sue Anderson

3) Matters Arising

- a) Paul McLennan confirmed, by email, that the caravan park was not feasible and so no more work would take place on that project. The Golf Club clubhouse is likely to be two years away. There's still no decision on the Pagoda.

| Follow-up | Who's responsible? | When? |
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| Write to Norman Hampshire and Michael Veitch to enquire their views on the Pagoda | Esther Hughes | ASAP |

- b) The Dunbar Community Council application was indeed received and Denise has been asked for our bank details by Lillian Pryde.
- c) Esther and Fay will meet Andrew Hogarth tomorrow to look at the plans for siting the new benches and flower beds.
- d) Jimmy Wilson has been stencilling around the park in response to our request.
- e) The poo bin at the 7th tee on the golf course has gone. Denise also asked where the bin for the small Back Road gate is as it has not been installed yet.
- f) Eden has created a Facebook page. Sue and Eden are administrators and are in the process of setting up links with other local groups.

3) Adoption of previous minutes

The minutes were approved without amendment.

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4) Dog Show

Esther Hughes: Plans are being put in place for a dog show at Winterfield. Sue, Esther, Eden and Fay have been meeting and a date of Monday 18th June has been chosen to coincide with the Dunbar Civic Week. K9 Adventures have been booked, there will be an ice cream seller and Dog Watch will be represented. FoW will have a display stand and we'll use the dog show as an opportunity to discuss our plans for the park and increase our mandate. We've still some things to organise such as a gazebo and catering.

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| Ask Amy at the Garden Path Café if she'd be interested in hosting a stall to sell tray bakes and crisps | Eden Blair | ASAP |
| Ask is we can borrow the Lochend Woodland Group tent (Isobel Knox (Isobelknox@aol.com) | Sue | ASAP |
| Print more membership forms | Esther | By 18 th June |

5) Jubilee Picnic Idea

Esther Hughes: Given the problems of a lack of toilets in the area and the cost of insurance I don't think it will be feasible to hold a Jubilee Picnic at the park. Perhaps the best we can do is to suggest it as a good picnic venue for that week. At the moment there's no sign of the picnic benches, though they were promised for the first week in June.

6) AGM

Esther Hughes: We've had some success with getting the East Lothian Courier to mention our AGM. The AGM will take place on Tuesday 29th May at 7.30 at the Belhaven Church Hall.

Gordon Millar: I've organised the hall. I think it will be a good place to hold it as it's easily accessible. I'll be there at the hall to set out the chairs before the AGM starts

7) Committees:

Esther Hughes: I think we have a clearer idea of some to the work that comes up in relation to Friends of Winterfield. We've got some interesting project work as well as regular things. We have the AGM coming at the end of May. I suggest that we create some project posts for the meeting and invite attendees to volunteer to take on some of the workload. For example, we have a website but it could do with some work and I find it a bind to maintain. Maybe we could have a "communications/publicity officer" who would be responsible for the website. Perhaps we could have someone who would manage the fundraising?

Jane McIntyre: I'll ask Iain Jamieson if he could help with the website.

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| Ask Iain Jamieson whether he could assist with the design and maintenance of the FoW website | Jane McIntyre | Next meeting |

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8) AOCB

Jacqui Bell: It would be useful to consider contacting Virador about help with funding for local projects. They may well be able to help part-fund things like play areas. You have to find money for part of what you want to do as Virador don't give 100% funding but you can apply for funds from other sources to make it up to the full value of the project.

9) Date of next meeting

Tuesday 3rd July 2012, at 7.30pm. Gordon Millar's house

10) End of Meeting

Gordon Millar closed the meeting and thanked all that attended. Meeting closed 9:00pm EH.