

Curdrige Reading Room and Recreation Ground Charity

Minutes of meeting on 6th February 2017

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

1. Welcome – Meeting started at 19:30

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. Redevelopment

Robert has updated his figures although is not able to quote for foundations yet. There are still lots of professional fees that are still to be determined. Elaine has been to the training course for Leader Funding and is meeting a lady called Jo who deals with village hall funding later this week. She knows Kevin Sawyer from Action Hampshire who have been a good source of information to us in the past. We have a fee quote from a different architect (Gareth) who has given us a better cost alternative. Gareth appreciates that we need to reduce the current estimated costs of the build whilst remaining true to the design necessities we have already identified. Trustees agreed to arrange to meet David Ashe to confirm our wish for a definite set of plans at a lower cost to that which he has quoted. In the last fee estimate DA suggested that we would owe him £2,000 if the project does not proceed so the Trustees concluded that this would be a fair estimate of our maximum indebtedness to him should we change architects at this stage. Elaine to approach David and organise a meeting. Once we've seen David, we will go to Robert with additional questions about the figures based on our design requirements.

Proposed social housing in St Peters Close – Discussions with the housing association and Kevan Bundell suggest that both developments can exist independently of each other. The HA has no buying power so would not entertain participation in the development of our car park into housing.

Social media – Feedback from DPJ's visits to hiring groups has been welcomed and received very positively. Next article for Parish magazine to mention the tree inspection and the holes that will be dug shortly for the foundation work. DPJ to write.

Garfield & Weston – ongoing

EnTrust – ongoing

5. House / Ian's report

Ian's report circulated in advance.

Trailer training company are making good use of the car park and there is a possibility of them using the Billiard Room for HGV Theory training. Ian is now invoicing them for their car park activities.

Playground pathway repairs – Ian has put up signs to warn people to take care of tripping hazards where the tree roots are coming through the tarmac. Ian to ask John Dobkin to quote for a patch repair to the path rather than a complete lift and re-lay.

Cigarette butts – Ian to ask Rosa to take responsibility for cleaning the bin.

Frog Mill painting – Painting is now displayed in the main hall. David to contact Kath & Kath to invite them to see painting in situ. Ian to source contact details.

H&S – Quarterly reviews are in place and all items identified in last inspection have been addressed.

Gregg School – David to contact school to forewarn them of development and to mention that other users of the carpark pay for the privilege.

SGHQ lease – Elaine will liaise with Nick to continue to agree the wording of the lease.

Path has been jet-washed and the invoice has been paid. Ian/Sheila to put a regular moss killing on John's contract / job list.

Lunch Club – Lunch Club seem to have volunteers organised to put up and take down tables – issue closed.

Laundry – Larry is now collecting laundry on Wednesdays and returning clean washing back to us on Fridays.

6 Grounds

Cricket Nets – Ian has spoken to CCC and has passed over the contacts for a local scrap merchant.

Tree review – MJC preparing quote for remedial work particularly noting the tree that was damaged by the vehicle fire in the field.

7 Finance

Elaine showed us a different format of reporting cash in and out of the bank accounts in January. This showed us that nearly £7000 came out of our reserves to pay for expenditure across the month.

8 Miscellaneous

Curdrige Show – Website is up and running, exhibitors brochure is done and bookings are coming in. It has been noted already that costs from external providers has increased.

Church – Elvis is booked for 12th May (Mike Nova). Possibility of including a fish and chip supper as part of the ticket price.

Beer Festival – Lou White and Simon Pitter have agreed to organise the Beer Festival. They are meeting with Ian this week. The band has been booked already and Ian has agreed to update the website. James has forwarded the artwork in editable format. Date has been set for 9th September.

9 AOB

AGM provisional date Monday 8th May

Meeting closed 21:25

Meeting dates for 2017

6th March
3rd April
2nd May
5th June
17th July
4th September
2nd October
6th November
4th December

All at 7.30pm