Curdridge Reading Room and Recreation Ground Charity

Minutes of meeting on 3rd April 2017

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

Robert Jackson also present.

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

Alternative architect has confirmed that they would be happy to meet with Trustees and Robert with a view to talking through facts and design so that they can establish whether the redevelopment plan is worth circa £1million. Robert spoke about roof configurations which could give us a cost advantage.

Sheila will organise a meeting with the architects, Trustees and Robert. Robert will re-work the costing figures after the architect meeting. We will hopefully have the results of the soil investigations too which we can feed into the meeting if necessary.

Robert left the meeting 20:37.

Grants – On hold. A recent fundraising meeting attended by Elaine suggested that it would be better to wait for confirmed plans and permissions before applying further.

5.House / Ian's report

Ian's report circulated in advance.

Auction – As at 31 March, the auction had paid up to date although their payments have been erratic in order to reach a zero balance. Trustees are concerned about the amount of time that Ian is having to spend chasing the auction team. Ian will speak to them tomorrow (4th April).

Playground path – Trustees acknowledged that the state of the path poses a significant Health and Safety risk. Sheila will source the appropriate materials – agreed to purchase a tamper.

John Clements is back to work although still receiving hospital treatment. Leylandii and Lawns will be coming out to provide a commercial quote for us to use as a comparison. Ian to ask John to provide a costing to roll/reseed the front lawn outside the kitchen.

SGHQ lease – David wrote to Jon regarding the byelaws. David will chase again.

6 Grounds

Cricket Nets – Ian will chase Matt Cousins.

Tree review – We will need to apply for planning permission to carry out works on the tree in the carpark which is causing concern. This is after the receipt of Marco's specialist arboricultural report.

7 Finance

Agreed to move £20 000 from the Virgin account to the CAF account to cover the upcoming cost of the soil investigations.

Ian is looking at our hiring profile and is preparing figures to show the impact of different pricing structures. This is so that our hire charges can be reviewed by Trustees in order to make a proposal to the AGM.

8 Miscellaneous

Curdridge Show – Kingsfest has been planned on the same day as the Show. The Show Committee were planning to meet with their team to check road management plans and the impact on both events. Elaine noticed that the Bottings estate has possibly changed management companies which could have an impact on our parking for the day. David will check with Rory.

Beer Festival – Ian met with Lou and Simon to start preparing plans. Publicity will start to ramp up after the Show.

Data Protection / Safeguarding policies – Emma to re-distribute for all to check; review in June.

9 AOB

Walking football – Rory is preparing some literature for us to use and add to Hub of the Village to promote.

Jo Furby came into the meeting before it started and suggested that her husband may be interested in joining the committee. David will make contact.

UK Parliament week – David will investigate further.

David will not be present for the 2nd May meeting.

Meeting closed 22:18

Meeting dates for 2017

2nd May

8th May – AGM

5th June
17th July
4th September
2nd October
6th November
4th December

All at 7.30pm