

FRIENDS OF PRIORY FIELDS

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING ON 10 NOVEMBER 2011

Present:

Geoffrey Woricker

Ian Read (Vice Chairman)
Linden Rosam
Peter Nightingale
Kate Hardingham (Secretary)
Den Harvey

1.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
	The absence of Peter Athey, John Bishop and Julie & Bob Norman was noted and accepted. In the absence of John Bishop it was agreed that Ian Read as Vice Chairman would Chair the meeting.
2.	MINUTES & MATTERS ARISING
	The minutes for the Committee meetings held on 15 September and 13 October 2011 were approved and then signed by the Chairman.
3.	PARISH COUNCIL ISSUES
3.1	Land Trust
	<p>It was confirmed that the letter from the Committee to the Parish Council (PC) had been sent but that no reply had yet been received. At the PC meeting on 1 November 2011 it was agreed that the PC should provide the Committee with an explanation for their decision not to enter into a trust arrangement with the Friends but no timings were agreed. It was noted that the PC intend to set up a meeting to discuss their proposal of establishing a sub-committee with members of the Friends Committee.</p> <p>Kate Hardingham and Linden Rosam gave the meeting an update on the discussions of the FoPF sub-committee. It was agreed that the sub-committee should investigate the QEII 'Fields in Trust' challenge.</p> <p>LINDEN ROSAM TO CIRCULATE DOCUMENT FOR REVIEW</p>
4.	TREASURERS REPORT/BUDGET ITEMS
	The report updated to end October 2011 was presented to the meeting. It was noted that new trees and hedging plants are to be purchased in the next month.
5.	ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT
	Nothing to report.
6.	WEBSITE
	It was noted that most of the photographic competition photos have been put on the website.

7.	WORKING PARTIES
	The finger post on the Moor Hall Lane entrance is missing. If it doesn't turn up, another will be made.
	Work will continue clearing the ditch from the main entrance northwards.
	It was noted that the badgers are making a new set and this will be monitored.
	Streams need clearing of bracken and old wood and other debris.
	One of the fence posts in football pitch fence boundary has broken off. The damage looks like it was caused by being hit by a mower. It was agreed that this would be raised with the PC at the next meeting. TO BE RAISED WITH THE PC
	The Himalayan Balsam has yet to be removed.
8.	EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES
8.1	Christmas Dinner
	DEREK WYBROW TO BOOK CHRISTMAS LUNCH
9.	PUBLICITY/GREEN FLAG AWARD
9.1	Green Flag
	It was noted that the renewal application needs to be submitted by the end of January 2012. JOHN BISHOP TO COMPLETE RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR 2012.
9.2	Brown Sign
	It was agreed that no action should be taken at this time but that the matter be raised with Mr R Poulter at his next surgery. JOHN BISHOP TO SPEAK TO MR POULTER
10.	AGM
	Possible speakers for 2012 were discussed. Suggestions included one of the judges of the photographic competition Mr Rod Brown. KATE HARDINGHAM TO BOOK MEETING ROOMS FOR AGM AND MONTHLY MEETINGS
11.	NEWS ITEMS
	The PC's clerk's email requesting volunteers to help the PC distribute grit salt for the winter was read to the meeting.
12.	NEXT MEETING
	The next main Committee meeting will be held on 8 December 2011.
	Meeting closed at 9.30pm

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