

Minutes of the Fairfield Association held on 16th October 2019 at the Friends' Meeting House

Present:

Hilary Short (Chair), Andrew Brennand, Sue Nieduszynska, Geoff Oliver, Jane Parker, Mick Short, Shirley Rawsthorne (Secretary)

1. Apologies

Apologies received from Tony Finn, Ian Procter and Dave Brookes.

2. Minutes from the last meeting

It was noted that the discussion with James Dowell had been omitted from the minutes. A brief summary has been added.

3. Matters Arising

- The bid to Tesco to secure funding for repairs to the climbing net will take some months to process.
- Julia Salmon has agreed to take over writing and editing the newsletter.
- Hilary has contacted the Highways Department at the County Council about the Towneley Close handrail.

4. Treasurer's Report to 14.9.19

Co-op account balance at 14.9.19 £57,002
Co-op account balance at 16.10.19 £57,730

Restricted funds:	Postcode Lottery	£2,634
	Marsh Community Fund	£500
	LCC Disability Grant	<u>£800</u>
	Sub-total	<u>£3,934</u>
	Triangle	<u>£2,367</u>
	General Funds	<u>£51,429</u>

Total funds £57,730

Significant Income: Donations totalling £ 1,711

Significant Payments: Four invoices totaling £1,261

5. Membership

No new members, one new friend.

6. Playground

The cost of a replacement net for the multiframe will be £1363 plus VAT. It was agreed that the FA will wait the outcome of our grant bid before replacing it. The grant submitted to Tesco Bags of Money was for £4k and also included the cost of installing Henry Hicks' plaque, strimmers, a marquee for Fun Day and a bollard.

7. Newsletter

Nothing to report.

8. Events

- Apple Day raised around £400
- The Pony Wood footpath was opened by Jon Barry
- The Walk and Talk will take place on 14.11.19.
- The Green Fair is on 23.11.19
- Carol Singing on Christmas Eve, will be led by Tim Evans.
- Wassailing, 18th January 2020

9. FOTT

Nothing to report.

10. FFOG

- A review of activities will take place during the week.
- Sue reported some correspondence from a dog owner who had been challenged about ignoring the 'Dogs on Leads' signage.

11. Website and Facebook

An interactive map has been posted on the website.

12. Education

Dallas Rd Year 3 had enjoyed a session in the Orchard. There is now a qualified Forest School instructor at Dallas Road and it was agreed that the school could deliver Forest School sessions in the Orchard during school hours.

13. Any Other Business

LNR status still pending.

Andrew suggested that FA sets a deadline of February, to coincide with the Charity Return in February.

14. Date of Next Meeting

7.30 pm on Wednesday, 20th November 2019 at the Friends Meeting House.