Minutes of the Fairfield Association meeting held on 15 March 2022 at Friends Meeting House

Present:

Hilary Short (Chair), Andrew Brennand, Jane Parker, Sue Pope, Ian Procter, Mick Short, Shirley Rawsthorne (Secretary)

1. Apologies

Dave Brookes, Geoff Oliver, Sue Nieduszynska, Dave Brookes, Gina Dowding

2. Minutes from the last meeting

Accounts: Item should read £79065, and the suffix 'gazebo purchase' removed.

3. Matters Arising

- There was a discussion about Jon Hill's proposal for a pizza evening; this was carried forward for further deliberation at a later date.
- A newsletter will be delivered to locals, with the promotional leaflet, in the next few weeks.
- FA will take part in the City Nature Challenge.

4. Treasurer's Report to 18th January 2022

Bank Balance 21.2.22 £79,065. Bank Balance 15.3.22 £79,777

Funds:

Restricted 3,217 General 76,560 Total 79,777

Significant income - £750 donation Significant expenditure - £386.49 electric fence battery

5. Membership

Nothing to report.

6. Item for discussion:

 Parking bays to be reduced to one, if Gina Dowding's bike shed and charging points are installed

7. Playground

- A meeting of Friends of the Playground is to take place next week, at which the fundraising process will be discussed. Some designs are available to view on the Greaves Park website.
- Willow pods now installed, and the box for tarpaulin covers is awaited.
- Some thought to be given to refurbishing the Ability Whirl, as the cost to replace it is prohibitive.

8. Education

Nothing to report.

9. Easter Egg Hunt

Helpers required at this event on 18th April.

10. 'Open Yardens'

This event to be advertised in the next newsletter.

11. FFOG report

- It was explained that the new electric fence had been installed to protect the new shrubs from the cattle, however the battery had been stolen from the field.
- Winter hedge work is now complete.
- Water levels in the West Field scrape continue to be erratic.

12. FOTT report

Some pointing work had been done.

13. Website and Facebook

Website is currently being improved.

14. Any Other Business

Volunteer required to take over the 'Walk and Talk' events, by November 2022.

15. Date of next meeting

The next meeting, will take place at 7.30pm on 26th April 2022, at the Friends' Meeting House.