

**Wootton Park Association Meeting**  
**7.00pm - Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2019, South Wootton Parish Council Office**

**MINUTES**

**1. Present:** Will Border (Chair), Wendy Border, David Price, Roy Williamson, John Marrow, Moira Kirby, Claire Harper

In attendance: Mrs R Curtis (Clerk), 1 member of the public

**2. Apologies** – Diana Gotts, Tracey Cornwell, Sarah Crome, John Marshal-Grint, Bridget Nurse

**3. To approve the minutes of the last meeting – 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019**

These were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

**4. Matters Arising**

None

**5. Correspondence**

None

**6. Questions from the Public**

None

**7. Finance**

- The balance on the Wootton Park Association Account is £3,638.58.

- Expenditure to date on the Wootton Park Running Costs account is £4,467.08.

**8. Football Club Report**

The football season has re-started, along with winter training. The new path is working well. The Club are continuing to carry out small jobs around the Pavilion under the approval of the WPA, mainly in the kitchen, with the creation of a new storeroom and boarding over the skylights.

**9. 200 Club**

Draw taken on 121 members,

*Draw for August;*

1<sup>st</sup> Prize, £48.40 – M Doughty

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize, £36.30 – S Crome

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize, £24.20 – R Curtis

*For Sept;*

1<sup>st</sup> Prize, £48.40 – V Ibbotson

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize, £36.30 – E Davies

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize, £24.20 – Mrs Barrett

The committee discussed ways of encouraging new members to reach the target of 200, John Marrow said he would try and get a piece in the Lynn News.

**10. Pavilion and Park**

- *Lighting in the Pavilion* – Three quotes were considered, David Price proposed accepting the lowest quote from AMR, this was seconded by Claire Harper and unanimously agreed.

- *Lighting Project – Infant Play Area* – It has taken several months to obtain one quote which was discussed. David Price said that it would be best practice to obtain 2 further quotes for comparison, Will Border to work on this.

- *Discuss Progress on Play Area Report*

Most of the items on the report have been dealt with.

*Safety Matting*- this has been ordered. Will proposed to get the hard surface of the children's play area pressure washed, this was seconded by Roy Williamson and unanimously agreed.

**11. Community Pay Back**

Work for the team in October is to cut back the hedge around the infant play area and rake and spread the wood chippings in the car park.

**12. Green Gym/Time Credits**

- The Green Gym has cleared the dyke from the cycle restrictors to the Pavilion and 25 builder's bags of green waste were removed.

**13. Specific Requests for Tree Pruning on the Park**

The tree report has been received and 3 items have been flagged up as needing attention straight away. Tag 163 – an Alder tree which needed to be felled, which has been done. Tag 166 – an Ash which has large dead limbs over the footpath, advised to fell. Tag 158 – Ash by the pond, remove ivy from the cavity in the crown. The latter 2 trees John Marrow will look at and may be able to assist with the work.

John also expressed increasing concern over the cyclists who are speeding along the cycle path. As agreed at the previous meeting, he will meet with Will Border and Kier Hughes to discuss this.

**14. Any other business**

- The new guttering for the Pavilion and where the downpipe will be placed was discussed. Again John Marrow volunteered to assist Will Border with this.

- Work has begun by the developers of the 9 acre field to put in the new footpath to Wootton Park. It was agreed that a path linking the car park and the new footpath would be beneficial; David Price said that SWPC would approach the builders to see if this could be done.

- The ongoing vandalism on Wootton Park has caused residents to suggest that CCTV would be beneficial; this was echoed by Sergeant Green who visited the Park with Will recently to discuss recent incidents. Will said there is funding available to go towards this and will look into options and bring some proposals for discussion at the next meeting. The committee agreed that with vandalism at an all time high, serious consideration needs to be given to this project.

- A suggested date for Picnic in the Park was agreed for 6<sup>th</sup> June 2020. Will said that the success of the event really relies on the number of volunteers on the day and urged people to get involved.

- When Sergeant Green visited the Park recently she said that if any resident feels intimidated while walking in the area, then to call 999 immediately. This message needs to get out to all residents, Rachel to put in the next NW newsletter.

**15. Date of Next Meeting**

26<sup>th</sup> November 2019

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.00pm.

..... Chairman

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> November 2019