

## **MINUTES OF CARBROOKE MILLENNIUM GREEN TRUSTEES' MEETING OCTOBER 6th, 2017**

Present: Tony Coppen, Trevor Birkby, Lisa Bell, Will Durgan, Piotr Barnowski, Ray Dekeyser; John DuHadway, Mike Botting, Helen Gore, Jim Lorne,  
Adviser: Guy Reynolds

### **Apologies for absence**

None

### **Minutes of last meeting (August 18, 2017)**

These were taken by Tony Coppen and were read out by him

### **Matters arising**

Jim Lorne advised:

We are still waiting to hear from Tesco Watson about the charity 'coin' scheme.  
Morrisons declined to offer any funding

### **Financial report - Lisa Bell**

We have received £2800 from the Parish Council

£177.51 from Easy Funding

£236.45 from the fete

£200 from parking for the Church concert

Jim Lorne has negotiated a £500 donation, per annum, from the Village School for use of the field for sports lessons/events

Total: £22,988.66

MINUS: £18,847 for playground equipment

Balance after O/S accounts paid:

£2431.51

Jim reported that he had initiated the registration process for Gift Aid.

Jewsons donated the fencing timber for the pond, courtesy of Ray.

Jewson's invoices for play area (charged at cost):

£31.18

£58.61

£650.83

£211.68

### **The new playground**

Fencing completed.

Jim has made the gates (two) and will put a sign to recognise Jewsons.

School children had helped with painting the fence pailings.

A villager had requested equipment on the Green for 17/18 year olds. A BMX track was discussed but dismissed for lack of funds (and potential users).

Jim had spoken to The Wayland Academy about involvement of D of E students in work on the Green.

Will mentioned the possible need for planning permission for the new play equipment but it was felt that this should not be necessary as it was a replacement for the old playground.

Guy pointed out that we had renewed the equipment because ROSPA said it was unsafe. Helen said she was safety-qualified and would look into this.

Jim advised that he had a ROSPA-approved inspector lined up at £250 plus £80pa thereafter. Tony advised Jim to go ahead with this.

Jim reported that the maze needs gravel, hedging and a digger. Total cost ca £1550.

### **Maintenance**

The pond: Guy to speak to Alan, who has a hook to pull out the weed.

Dog bins: Guy suggested we speak to Breckland DC about who empties their bins.

### **Future plans/fund raising**

Tony suggested a Christmas event, hiring the hall. Lisa suggested we may be able to combine with the school's Christmas Fayre.

Fun Run: Will said that 3 laps of the Green = 5km. Jim to discuss with the school at the next Ethos meeting.

A New Year's Eve party was discussed.

Lisa volunteered to organise an Easter Egg Hunt on the Green on Saturday 31/3/18.

Guy suggested we ask dog walkers for a contribution towards the cost of dog bin emptying - possibly to be paid online?

### **AOB**

Jim is organising an opening event for the new playground, with Scottish pipers and local dignitaries in attendance, with tea and refreshments. Date TBA.

### **Date of next meeting**

Friday November 3rd