

Minutes FoPP AGM 13/9/18

Chair - Katy Gardener

Present -Marilyn Williams, Ingrid Watts, Jon Woolf, Robert Martin, Martin and Pat Bragg, Lis Davidson (minutes). Jenny arrived towards the end for the picnic blanket decorating workshop.

Apologies - Faye Carter and Sarah Penny

1. Minutes of last year's AGM were approved by those present. No corrections required.
2. Katy presented our annual report (see attached or on website - <http://friendsofprincespark18.org.uk/FOPP>) and suggested we read it. She thanked everyone for the work done over the last year.
3. Financial report circulated; Jon presented the figures for last year and an interim report for this year. The finances are healthy at present, but we have spent slightly more than our income in the past 20 months, so we need to be aware of opportunities to fund raise, such as tree walks.
4. Election of Officers /exec - as we were all re-elected last year Katy told us there was nothing in the constitution to say we needed to change anything. Katy also agreed to remain as Chair (noting she would have a sabbatical for her hip operation and recovery time) as no one else feels they can do it as well as her. The exec therefore remains as Marilyn Williams (deputy chair), Jon Woolf (treasurer), Paul Slater, Sarah Penny, Faye Carter and Lis Davidson and Pat Bragg (joint secretary). Dan Jewel had not managed to get to an exec meeting this year so we presume he will stand down.
5. a) Times and venues for further meetings: - Tree planting: Halloween ie Wednesday 31st October and First w/e November Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th. Tree group have agreed a new plan for organising via email/ mobile with volunteers who have already agreed to come rather than spend time on posters, also shorter hours and ask people to bring their own refreshments as autumn work planned this year is not huge.
 - Tree thinning - If Paul agrees to be involved in February, Lis happy to organise using hopefully the new method with a date that suits Paul.
 - Quarterly meetings not yet set... - Katy will email executive re next exec meeting.
- b) Possible purchase of a container for FoPP to share with Park Run, to keep litter pickers and other tools in. Council has agreed in principle and Robert is looking into how to organise in the cheapest way possible.
- c) Katy raised issue of Friends Forum wanting to do a park visit in our park. Given that we are very busy in autumn there was general consensus to leave till the Spring.
- d) Katy also mentioned that St Silas school, with Merseyforest would do more tree planting hopefully this autumn.