

Minutes of FOPP Meeting 25th May 2017

Present Katy Gardner (Chair) Martin Bragg, Pat Bragg, Ingrid Watts, Marilyn Williams. Lis Davidson, Fay Carter

Minutes of last meeting: accepted.

Matters Arising

1. Lake Water Management Plan-Katy not yet received the promised report on the completed plan. It is unlikely that any work will commence now until later in the year A concern was expressed about the safety of the fish. **Katy to express concerns to Brendan Monks.**

2. Use of toilets at Ullet Rd Petrol Station. Ingrid has been to see them three times but been unable to speak to the Manager yet. **Ingrid will keep trying.**

3. Walk in Birkenhead Park- B'head Friends group haven't got back to us about this yet. **Katy chase up ?autumn**

4. Extra bins Nothing happened about this yet. **Katy chase.**

5. Park/FOPP Surveys- we wanted to revisit these. Best time would be winter so maybe at meeting after AGM.

6. Bug Hotel Katy has spoken to Alan Smith- Likes the idea but thinks it could be vandal prone. **Katy to speak to him again.**

Agenda

1. **Mandela Memorial** Artists have now been appointed. They are Wayward. See: www.wayward.co.uk. He/she will visit the park and join our picnic on 17th June. *"Wayward is an award-winning landscape practice. Our projects include The Urban Physic Garden, The Union Street Orchard and the Helsinki Plant Tram."*

2. **Tree walk** postponed until autumn. Possibly include look at wildlife.

3. **Jo Cox picnic 17th June** Martin showed posters he has produced. Small amendments to be made. Martin to distribute posters to various members who will put them up in strategic places around the area.

Ingrid and Pat had produced a plan for organization of the day, and allocated jobs. which we discussed.

Pat and Ingrid to supply tables, gazebo, crockery, cutlery etc and some food. Katy to ask Tesco for fruit. Others to contribute food but idea is for a picnic where people bring and share their own food. Music and entertainment: Ingrid to contact musicians Fransisco and Dan. Marilyn to contact Tim from Florrie guitar group and student who plays the accordion. Martin suggested getting Park Place ponies. This probably involves health and safety/insurance/contact with Parks dept. **Martin to investigate further.**

4. Other events in the park

- Squash Nutrition to hold Solstice Event 4am to sunset. 21st June.
- A possible wild life walk in the Autumn. **Katy to talk to Paul Slater.**

5. Summer Litter Pick: Sat June 24th.9.45am after Park run. **To be announced at picnic and Pakrun.**

6. FOPP fundraising ideas- Leave for time being. **But display Princes Park information leaflets at picnic and ask for donations.**

7. Future tree planting work. The tree group are liaising about possible future planting and funding. No more work to be done until November. Katy to email Dave in Tasmania about when he is coming to UK.

8.AGM and revised policies and constitution: Autumn Tree Walk. 2pm Saturday 14th October followed by **AGM** at Katy's. Possibly ask member of Mandela group to update. Need FOPP exec to look at policies before AGM.

FOPP Exec Meeting: Tuesday 26th September 6.30 pm at Katy's. focus on Policies and constitution. **Fay is amending them and will circulate to Exec.**

AOB Lis gave brief report on LPFF Conference attended 13th May at Croxteth Hall., particularly information about Nantes, green city and possible parks forum wildflower planting project. **Lis will follow up.**

Join us for tree walk (2pm) and AGM (3.30pm with tea and cake) on Saturday 14th October