

Minutes of FOFF Committee Meeting.

Wednesday 14 June 2017

Present; Carol Cole, Sue Shepherd, Clive Shepherd, Sue Shanks, Joe McNulty Alison Boyce,

Apologies; Garry Meyer, Keith Upton

**1. Treasurers report:**

FOPP has approximately £2,750 in the bank, so still looking good for the purchase of a pop up marquee for use at future events.

**2. Men's Bowling Pavilion;**

There has been spate of vandalism resulting in a hole in the roof and damage to the cupboards inside. FOPP need to store their stuff elsewhere and above the chalet cafe is being considered.

Registration of the Pavilion as a community asset is going ahead but has required FOPP to slightly change constitution to remove the clause that any surplus funds will not be distributed to its members. Once this amendment is done the asset will be registered

The Pavilion is on the market but as far as the committee knows no plan to purchase has been put forward to the council

[Action: Sue Shepherd to visit chalet cafe to check upstairs for storage.](#)

**3. Preston Open Day Saturday 24th June**

The whole event is fairly large. FOPP will host a Picnic space with the focus being on families and families, so children's games planned (equipment has been rented from the resource centre). The BBQ has pulled out and Joe to ask people he knows that have food stalls behind the Brighthelm Centre if they might be available.

Clive said he would prefer the focal point of the Picnic should be closer to Preston Manor so more integrated into the wider Preston open day, which was agreed.

[Action: Joe to check food stall position and let Alison know so she can contact the council food hygiene team for approval.](#)

[FOPP members helping on day - be there at 10.00am to help set up](#)

**4. Conservation Management plan**

The Council will put up boards at the Preston Open Day showing the CMP and ask people to choose how the funds are spent. The options are likely to be between the refurbishment of the Coronation gardens or refurbishment of the herbaceous borders around the Rose garden. Other ideas in the plan will be for the future. The council is also considering extending the 'gardens of greeting' that run parallel to London Road

**5. Future of FOPP**

Sue Shepherd is to step down as chairman and from FOPP at the next AGM. The committee is looking for at least 2 new committee members and needs to think about future roles.

Action: Sue to ask for volunteers for the committee when she sends out the next newsletter

**6. AOB**

Carol accompanied the representative from the Green Flag Awards round the park. Preston Park is being assessed for suitability.

Sunday 11th June - the park was in a mess after being used as a transport hub for the Saturday 'wildlife' event in Shoreham

Action; Sue to write to Ian Taylor to complain about the delay in the clearing up and ask for this to be improved for next year

Date of next meeting Wednesday September 6th at 5.30 in Park View Pub