

SOULBURY MILLENNIUM GREEN

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Registered Charity No 1070738

Minutes of Meeting 22 August 2016

Those present: Alan Stevens Chairman
 Wendy Taylor Treasurer
 Liz Miller
 Elizabeth Caplan

Apologies: John Spires
 Maurice Cross
 Christine Sheppard
 Jon Sheppard
 Val Redbart
 Michele Nicholas

1	Previous minutes and matters arising	Action
	<p>Minutes of the last meeting agreed as correct and signed by Alan.</p> <p>Japanese Knotweed: Alan has chased this with Bucks County Council and we are still awaiting a date.</p>	
2	Resignations	
	<p>Since the last meeting, Richard and Georgette have resigned from the committee due to events involving Richard and Jon and the handling of that situation.</p> <p>Alan said that he had listened to both sides and each were in conflict with the other although Elizabeth did say she heard what Jon was saying at 1 am in the morning and it was certainly as Richard described. This is an observation and she stressed this was not the biased view of a mother as she very well aware that Richard has been known not to handle some situations as well as he could have but in this instance the threats were as reported. Alan felt that he wanted everyone to calm down and not to take a 'knee jerk' reaction.</p> <p>Liz felt it was a personal issue and not an SMG issue. After discussion it was felt that as it was an incident on the SMG that caused this situation, the committee should be involved. Liz stressed to Alan that we are a committee, there to help everyone and he should feel that in incidents such as this he should not feel he has to 'go it alone'. Alan agreed and asked for input as the way forward should be a group decision not his decision.</p> <p>Elizabeth also made the point that Christine is in a horrendous position at the moment and the sooner all this is resolved the better for her.</p> <p>To that end, it was agreed that a special meeting should be called. Liz did feel the meeting should have happened earlier even though Vic and Wendy were on holiday. However, it was decided to hold it on 30 August in the village hall at 7:30 pm. Everyone will be invited to attend including Richard and Georgette and it is hoped that everyone will make every effort to be there. An agenda was discussed. It was felt that it will be a short agenda but the topics will take time to discuss.</p>	

3	Finance report/income from events/website	
	<p>Current account balance: £1,177.17 Deposit account balance: £4,959.93 Petty cash: £25.88</p> <p>AVDC Lottery: We received £26.00 from Vale Lottery funds in August.</p> <p>Website needs an update which Wendy will do now she is back from holiday.</p>	Wendy
4	Work in progress	
	<p>In no particular order of importance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alan purchased old Allan scythe for £40 and is refurbishing it. Alan still working on it. • Soil has been dumped by builder and has been spread about it a bit but more work needs to be done. The Community Payback teams will progress this. • The big ditch needs clearing of weeds. • Barbara Wray has asked if she can plant daffodils in the area around the walnut tree. No-one had an issue with this. • Annex to be the Field in Trust and WW1 site. John Spires in contacting the association to make sure they are aware we have dedicated an area. • Liz has been pruning the orchard apple trees. Fruit beginning to come ripe for picking. 	<p>Alan</p> <p>Vic</p> <p>Vic</p>
4	Events 2016	
	<p>Bonfire Night 5/11/16: Bonfire site reseeded. Sponsorship/donations to be looked at for same reason as for Soulfest. Vic said he would look at this. Flowerbed at bonfire site is looking good.</p> <p>A list of events needs to be put together for 2017. The parish council will approach all surrounding parish councils to see what they are doing and when so we do not clash. Attendance for our events this year was down due to clashing events.</p>	Vic
5	100 Club	
	<p>The 100 Club was drawn and the winner is:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">August: Ginny Skeels</p> <p>Wendy issued cheque to Elizabeth for despatch to winner.</p>	
6	Any other business	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christine was unable to attend the meeting but left a note with Wendy to say that: • fruit is beginning to ripen for picking • the flower beds in the top meadow are looking especially nice and thanked Richard and Georgette for their efforts • there is no hay for the chickens, are we going to make our own. In the meanwhile Wendy would find some at her yard again. 	Wendy

7	Date of next meeting	
	The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 27 September, 2016 at 19:30 at Wendy's house. The special meeting will be held on Tuesday 30 August, 2016 at 19:30 in the parish hall.	

Meeting closed at 21:30 hrs

Distribution: Those present + John Spires, Maurice Cross, Christine Sheppard, Michele Nicholas, Val Redbart.