

SOULBURY MILLENNIUM GREEN

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Registered Charity No 1070738

Minutes of Meeting 13 February 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

Those present: Nigel Kemal Chairman
Alan Stevens
Richard Caplan
Wendy Taylor

Apologies: Vic Wright
Carla Bennett
Geoff Kiddle

1	Previous minutes and matters arising	Action
	Minutes of the last meeting agreed as correct and signed by Nigel. Matters arising: Hold put on obtaining the shingle for the pond edges as the pondliner has split again.	
2	Finance report/income from fundraising/website	
	Barclays account balance: £8,145.08 Petty cash: £53.01 Bucks Lottery: £10.00 Feb 2023 Smile Amazon is no longer as Amazon has discontinued this source of funding.	
3	Work in progress	
	<p>Sadly, the very cold weather and resultant ice has been detrimental to the pondliner and it has split again so there is a hold on procuring the shingle. Richard has a plan for the area but remedy will be a summer job.</p> <p>A quote for provision of installing uprated electrics has been obtained from Graeme Meichtry. However, Alan felt another quote is needed and gave Nigel the contact details of another electrician to obtain one. Discussion took place on the route of the cable for this job and it has been decided that it will now be dug in along the route of the path.</p> <p>Richard provided a 'to do' list which is listed at the end of these minutes. He also asked that he could purchase some equipment for maintaining the green which was agreed as he is using his own to its detriment. This list is also at the end of the minutes. He also asked that milk be provided on Sunday for the Community Payback crews together with coffee/tea/biscuits. Nigel offered to ensure milk was available.</p> <p>Alan offered to set up an Amazon account in the name of the SMG with the SMG bank card linked to it so no-one has to purchase goods from personal accounts and then claim it back. Everyone using this method needs to ensure that Wendy gets all the receipts which must show the VAT numbers if the supplier is VATable.</p>	Alan

4	Events	
	<p>Easter Egg Hunt: 8 April 2023 Wendy showed the poster created for this event. It was agreed and she was asked to produce 12 laminated copies. Nigel and Alan will lay out the event. Easter egg prizes will be obtained nearer the day.</p> <p>Coronation celebrations: 7 May 2023 All in hand as far as the organising committee is concerned. This committee is just required to put up the marquees for the event and provide some chairs for the more senior members of the village.</p> <p>Curry evening for SMG: 20/1/23. Event was successful. Wondering if any monies were heading the SMG way as the title above indicated the event was run to raise some funds.</p> <p>Dog Show and Beerfest: 17/6/23 Nothing has been confirmed on this event.</p> <p>Soulfest 2023: 1/7/23 Discussion took place on moving the event to 1 July from the 8th as Chilfest runs on the weekend of the 8th and will drag people from our event to it. Whilst it was annoying that this had not been brought up at the time of organising the 8th last November those present could see nothing preventing the change of date to the 1st. Wendy to let Carla and her husband know for the spreadsheet of village events.</p>	<p>Wendy Nigel/Alan</p> <p>Vic</p> <p>Wendy</p>
5	100 Club	
	<p>Draw completed: Winners: February 2023 Daphne Reeves</p>	
6	Any other business	
	<p>Richard brought a flyer to the meeting regarding a HM Prison & Probation Service initiative to plant 50,000 trees for 50 Years nationwide. It is to celebrate the 50 year anniversary of Community Payback. At the moment they only have blackthorn and hawthorn, neither of which we need but when more varieties are available we will look at the initiative again.</p> <p>Discussion took place regarding the adult gym for the SMG and Alan was happy to hand over the reins of the project to Frances Meichtry, Carla and co. The purchase may have to go through the Parish Council to get access to s106 monies. Wendy checking out procurement process.</p>	Richard
7	Bonfire complaint	
	<p>Wendy read out the contents of an email received about lighting of bonfires on the SMG. Alan pointed out this is the first complaint received since the inception of the Millennium Green in 1998. Wendy will respond to the email with comments made in response to each objection but actually there is not a lot of validity in the objections made.</p>	Wendy
8	Date of next meeting	
	<p>The next meeting will be held on 13th March 2023 to be held at the home of Wendy Taylor.</p>	All

Meeting closed at 20.30 hrs

Distribution: Those present + Michele Nicholas, Carla Bennett, Geoff Kiddle, Vic Wright

Addendum to minutes

To do list - Winter/Spring 2023

- Cut back overgrown Willow by bins
- Prune/weed/compost fruit trees
- Measure best route for power cable
- Cut back bramble from path border
- Tidy stage area
- Burn last fire
- Re-seed old fire area
- Remove all metal to scrap pile
- Create land bridge through middle of pond turning it into 2 ponds
- Cut back all Willow around pond
- Build pond fence
- Rebuild work area fence
- Line and insulate shelter roof
- Cut back Hazel
- Clear/weed long memorial border and pond borders
- Cut back Willow overhangs from Liz Miller's bench
- Sand and varnish EJC bench
- Clear 2 x compost bins
- Repair/replace playground fencing panels

Purchase list - Winter/Spring 2023

- 3 x good Secateurs
- 3 x good loppers
- 3 x good pruning saws
- 1 x 1 ltr chain saw oil
- 1 x 1 ltr 2 stroke oil
- Ongoing fuel allowance
- Rat poison for shelter traps
- Large tape measure