

Friends of Yeoman Hill Park
Minutes of Meeting held at Park Road Resource Centre
Monday 14 January 2019

1. **Present:**

Shannon Macfarlane, Irene Bacon, Andy Chambers, Walt Gaskell, Joe Hurley,
Linda Reilly

Apologies:

Alistair Macfarlane, Corinna Brown, David Ellis, County Councillor Joyce Bosnjak,
Councillor John Coxhead,

2. **Declaration of Interest:**

There were no declarations of interest.

3. **Minutes of 12 November a true record:**

The minutes of 12 November 2019 were agreed as a true record.

4. **Matters Arising:**

Current works, new play equipment

A new piece of play equipment has been installed and proving to be very popular. Normal seasonal maintenance is being carried out along with specific work to the bowling green.

Three Oaks on Millennium Green

A thank you letter has been received from Bob Thacker acknowledging a donation made by Friends towards the cost of three oaks trees. Members attended a planting ceremony on the Millennium Green on 10 November.

Poppy wreaths, removal

Andy has received guidelines from the Royal British Legion on the removal of poppy wreaths. This states the responsibility lies with individual authorities. Andy has instructed grounds staff to check regularly and remove any wreaths which have become shabby.

FoHYP hosting Greenwood Forum in May

Shannon is to check with Margaret, FOG Secretary, on requirements for this event and will bring to the next meeting. Irene has checked prices for local room hire. Turner Community Hall is £14 per hour and Mansfield Woodhouse library £10 per hour. Further discussion will take place.

Christmas Event

Friends attended the Christmas event on 8 December. This year's fund raising activity was a card game which raised £80. During the event an opportunity was

taken to purchase a watercolour painting of YHP cenotaph which now hangs in the office at PRRC.

5. **Any Other Business:**

Raised beds

Corinna has applied to the local Robin Hood Lottery for £1500 towards materials for replacing the raised beds, with equivalent to £600 match funding re MDC labour costs.

Invertebrate training

Friends of Greenwood Trust are holding a two day course on invertebrate training in June 2019. Applications are required by 18 January 2019. Please contact Shannon for further information.

Grow Wild Map

Shannon provided information on the Grow Wild map which is a scheme whereby people are able to promote places that are free to visit, publicly accessible and which are a great place to see and enjoy UK native plants. Andy feels the majority of MDC parks and open spaces could be included in this and will investigate further.

Bank account

A recent statement shows £1543.68 in the bank account.

Room hire

Room hire at PRRC was discussed and it was agreed that although there is an option not to pay for room hire, it was unanimously agreed to continue to pay.

Huthwaite Bowls Club

Andy reported that after visiting YHP, Huthwaite Bowls Club have decided not to take up the offer of using YHP green whilst their own is repaired. They will now relocate to Teversal.

Bowls Tuition

Joe confirmed that bowls tuition is to take place this season. Joe will contact Lee, Woodhouse Warbler editor, regarding advertising.

Gill Grievson – recruiting volunteers

Gill Grievson has offered to attend a Friends meeting to offer suggestions on recruiting volunteers. Andy will contact Gill and invite her to the next meeting.

Thanks to Councillors John Coxhead, Joyce Bosnjak and Parry Tsimbiridis

Joe wished to minute thanks to the above Councillors who contributed funds towards the installation of hand rails onto the bowling green. It has made a considerable difference to members accessing the green.

6. **Date of Next Meeting:**

Monday 11 February 2019 at 10.00am at Park Road Resource Centre.

Meetings for the year:

11 March

8 April

13 May

10 June

8 July

12 August

9 September

14 October

11 November

9 December