

Friends of the Moor Committee Meeting Weds 12 October 2016, 7.00pm, Knutsford Town Council Meeting Rooms. Minutes128

Present Michele Hammond (Vice-Chair), Stewart Gardiner (Treasurer), Jan McCappin (Secretary), Jacque Grinham, Val Burlison (Cheshire East Council Partnerships - Knutsford) (CEC) Quorate (ie 5 committee members, at least 2 officers) No - 3 officers, 2 members attended,

1 Welcome and Apologies for absence Apologies were received from Debbie Jamison (Chair), Adam Keppel-Garner, Andrew Malloy, Jane Cartmel, Peter Russell, James Power Police Sergeant Kelly Rooke and PCSO Callum Welsh,

2 Decisions

Participatory budget grant application, CEC will be received on Thursday by a Panel at the Welcome, who will decide if the application will go through..

All Party Parliamentary group consultation on Parks Submission 30 September – DJ had sent a response on behalf of FOTM which had been seen by FOTM officers

3 Review

Playarea works update– Work appears to be on schedule for the Opening event on 22nd October with tarmacking and fencing on Wednesday, swings on Thursday. ANSA will be inspecting the site at noon on Friday. MH would text daily reports to DJ. The picnic area affected by the fire at one of the tables had been cleared by CEC and would be reseeded.

4 Events

Fire Service Pool Clearence, litter pick Green Flag Raising and Play area opening, Sun 22nd October. Details have been confirmed with DJ. The Mayor, Jan Nicholson is to be guest at the Flag raising and Play Area opening. The blue flag, put up for the Promenades Canute Crossing event will be returned to Sarah Flannery.

5 Communications

Relations with other groups – Next year the Lions are celebrating their centenary, and instead of a Street Fair, there will be an event, with stalls, on the Heath. The Chairman and Treasurer of Friends of the Heath are leaving. Their AGM will be on 25th November at the Angel

Neighbourhood Plan – (DJ is member of the Sport WG). Initial questionnaires are being completed and returned by the public (deadline now 23 October). KTC has engaged Urban Imprint who will liaise with the lead councillor from each group, and timetable meetings with each of the groups.

6 Treasurers report (SG)

Kompan has now been given the cheque for £1500, and KTC will be informed,

Fundraising will be a major topic on the next agenda. AKG will check on funding. Michelle H will progress an enquiry about the Jog and if FOTM can be a chosen charity, and if it can field a team

7 CCTV, Policing, Lighting

CCTV had been criticised in the past for the high cost of upkeep and maintenance. FOTM suggested writing to KTC, already aware of the issues on the Moor, suggesting either modifying an existing CCTV (checking with CEC if a different camera fitting giving 360 degree views, or moving its site on the car park) or having an additional one, preferably inside the Moor park boundary or on the roadside, depending on a suitable source of electricity. The Scouts are installing CCTV and will be responsible for monitoring it, but coverage will be limited

Fencing can obscure the views, The film of the fire incident is poor but shows a large group of people including girls. It will be checked with DJ if FOTM's insurance will cover replacement of the poppy table.

The police intend to visit schools, especially the Academy, for talks in confidence. An appropriate letter will be sent from MH of CEC. SG will ask Mr Cladingbowl of the Academy, and it will be raised at an Assembly .

Sgt Kelly Rooke requested members do not ring 911 or 845 for updates. (use 101 instead)

8 Approval of minutes

There were a few corrections:-

Memorial Tree – Lisa would be emailed about the suggested wording. AKG should ask the Mayor to write to John Davies for approval. The Tree has been approved at a KTC meeting.

Safeguarding Officer – FOTM are waiting before advertising. Schools and the Childrens Centre will be emailed (cc to FOTM)

Minutes were then approved,

9 AOB

Lily Bridge had been brought up at a KTC meeting , It was deemed relatively safe, SG is to take this up with CEC.

Lighting – There was some problems with foliage obscuring lamps. AKG would liaise with Bartletts, perhaps via Lisa at KTC, for advice

10 Next meetings 9 November, informal meeting for new members 11 January