

Friends of Roseburn Park SCIO SC044659

Minutes of Board Meeting

27 July 2016

1. Present: Neil Gardiner, Hamish Ross, Pete Gregson. The minutes of 22 June 2016 were approved. The following were matters arising:
 - **Neil** had yet to circulate minutes of the stakeholder meeting.
 - **Hamish** had yet to summarise and return funding brochures.
 - Jane had yet to circulate the school consultation but **Alette** had since offered to.
 - Pete could now attend the revised Community Council meeting.
 - In **Jane's** absence it was unclear whether there was interest in an event.
2. Flood-works No Update
3. Park Improvement Plan:
 - a. PC Andy Whittle had provided some commentary and had no fundamental concerns. There was no practical alternative location for the playpark, which might attract congregations of older children at certain times.
 - b. Funding Planning Application A bid was in to the Neighbourhood Partnership, with the decision due after 24 August. **Hamish** to prepare list of alternative sources (as above).
 - c. Screening flood walls David Jamieson had asked the contractors to reconsider their negative response to the general proposal, in the light of possible vertical wiring and non-undermining species.
 - d. Brian Moore (Director RIAS) thoughts on funding the park vision. A key issue if we are going to larger funders, such as the National Lottery, was to ensure advanced discussion/approval of proposed contractors, architects etc. **Pete** had therefore contacted the National Lottery.
 - e. Toilet Block Conversion Business Plan had been submitted. The Council had yet to identify a staff resource to discuss with FoRP and had asked us to contact the Planning Department directly.
 - f. School playpark consultation **Pete** would take up **Alette's** offer to circulate the consultation.
4. Murrayfield Wanderers **Hamish** would produce a draft summary of exchanges with City Cllrs about the Murrayfield Wanderers proposals, and post the original texts on the website for further reference. The summary and links would go out to Members in an email with various updates, and also details of how to contact City Cllrs directly.
5. Fundraising Disco The timing of this event meant that there were few attendees.
6. September Park Event Hamish expressed doubt that organising an event for 4 September at this stage was sensible, but it was agreed that the publicity deadline was in fact just prior to school re-starting. So **Pete** would get an update from Jane before deciding whether to go ahead.

7. Newsletter It was agreed that there was plenty to put into a newsletter and that we should aim to produce one mid- to late- August.
8. AGM 21 September **Hamish** would identify a venue for this. (See also AOCB)
9. Date of Next Meeting Since there were problems with 24 August, this date was cancelled. An alternative on 4 September (the date of a possible event) would be called if it was really necessary. The 21 Sept (incl. AGM) and 26 Oct.
10. AOCB
 - **Hamish** would check whether Alette wished to be our Community Council nominee and otherwise undertook to be same.
 - It was noted that there was a new Parks Officer at the Council. **Hamish** would ask Dave Sinclair for an introduction, with a view to the Officer as a guest attraction for the AGM.
 - **Neil** would ask Murrayfield Community Council if they would investigate the existence and nature of an SRU masterplan for the Murrayfield site, given that they were proposing to build a hotel.