

Friends of Roseburn Park

25 May, 2016

Present: Peter Gregson, Hamish Ross, Alette Willis, Neil Gardiner, Jane Stevenson

1. **Minutes**, we didn't have copies available at the meeting Put Forward
2. **Flood works Stakeholders' Meeting** – there has been no Stakeholders' Meeting since the last FoRP meeting
3. **Park Improvement Plan**
 1. **Roseburn Court talk** by Pete went well. As a result, the BMX track has been removed from the plan. A strong interest in the outdoor adult gym, possibly have it in the enclosed area where the playpark currently is located. They have a hunger for history and Pete is going back to do a history talk. Pete will host a similar meeting at Murrayfield View on June 2nd **HR** put history stuff on website
PG Murrayfield View talk
 2. Pete attended the **Meet the Funders** event and returned with some possibilities for us to apply for. Robertson Trust £15,000. Tesco "bags of help" up to £12,000, particularly interested in adult gym stuff. It would be useful to have a timeline of funding and other deadlines, linking this to the floodworks timeline from Darren. **HR** to draft the list of deadlines
 3. **West Neighbourhood Partnership Environment Sub Committee Meeting.** We have their support for line wires for climbing plants along the wall. A suggestion that the eyes be cast into the wall instead of drilled in. The bridge: Darren is looking into whether it would be possible to move the bridge to next to the toilet block. It would have to be moved in one piece and there could be an issue with differences in height between the two banks. Darren is looking into this. Darren has said no trees near the wall, there was some question about the trees near the wall in Stockbridge. Some issues with sports taking up the entire remaining park and the local community not being able to use the park in fine weather. **PG** will write David Sinclair, cc'ing Darren and Neil outlining what we have permission for.
PG will introduce **AW** to Shirley Bauman at Edinburgh Leisure
 4. **Funding bids** – possible trim trail Put forward
 5. Possible meeting with **Ice Rink** Put forward
 6. **Bid to One City Trust** for RPS fees has been submitted (£10,000), we will find out on 9th June. If we are awarded the money, Pete will meet with RPS and get them started on the planning application and building works plans. A suggestion to set up a subgroup to deal with planning application and building works. **PG** to get RPS started if we are awarded the funds.
 7. **Toilet Block** lease matters for Council Business Plan. Hamish brought up the 2015 lease discussion to remind us of the issues brought up then. Do we want to pay the Council's survey fee? It is not watertight, do we want the Council to **PG** and **HR** to set up subcommittee.

make it weathertight before we take it on? Do we want a more detailed survey? Do we want to pay a lawyer and/or surveyor before taking on the toilet block? Suggestion of establishing a subgroup to work on the toilet block.

8. **Contractors call.** We decided not to pursue funding for this at the moment. We will wait until we have a tree, know where the tree will go and know when we will be able to put them in the park. **PG** to let contract know our decision.
9. **School Playpark Consultation.** Alette and Jane form the subcommittee for this task. They have already consulted with the children and do not feel it would be productive to do another consultation. Jane will include some observations of how the children use the park. Then Jane and Alette will liaise with James to provide him with the feedback and our suggested changes **JS** and **AW** to compile a report of consultation and observation with proposed playpark amendments
4. **Murrayfield Wanderers.** We decided to host a public meeting with the Murrayfield Wanderers to give them an opportunity to present their proposal and give users of the park an opportunity to share their views. There is a certain amount of urgency to this, so we decided end of June, before people leave for holidays would be best. **HR** to find a venue. **NG** to find out when Wanderers are available
5. **Banking issues.** We are currently paying £6/month in banking fees, however this seems unavoidable. Need another signatory, but we'll wait until after the AGM.
6. **Need a replacement for Val.** Wait until the AGM. Currently we have a limit of 6 people on the committee. We could have members involved in subcommittees. **HR** will put a message on Fb and send out an email for the AGM
7. **Organising AGM** – We will have the AGM after the Murrayfield Wanderers meeting. We need to have the finance statement ready. It would also be useful to decide the date of the next meeting before the AGM. **HR** prepare the finance statement.
HR will give some thought into where to have future mtgs.
AW will collect subcommittee suggestions