# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SOUTH LANE MEADOW TRUSTEES HELD ON TUESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2021 IN THE PARISH OFFICE commencing at 7.00 p.m.

**Present**: David Charleton (Chair);

Cllr Peter Hurst Bob Wheeler Cllr Stephen D'este Hoare

Roland Howes;

Cllr Rosemary Clarke;

Brenda Mizen

**In attendance:** Secretary Emma Barritt and Clerk Katie Knowles.

## 27/21 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Coffre.

## 28/21 TO AGREE THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting had been circulated and it was agreed that they be signed as a correct record.

The Chairman raised some points from the previous meeting:

It was agreed that Cllr Hurst will be the Vice Chairman for the next year.

## **OPEN FORUM**

No members of the public were present.

## 29/21 ANY ITEMS TO REPORT FROM OR TO THE PARISH COUNCIL

## **Bench Policy**

EB reported that CPC now have a bench policy in place which will be used for all requests received for benches at South Lane Meadow. The Trustees will be informed of the request for a new bench in the usual way but the new policy will now be followed. Some of the benches in the meadow need replacing, particularly the one on the north side by the orchard (to be checked by EB and the donator contacted if possible). If the Trustees receive future requests for new benches it maybe an idea to replace the old ones. Contact will then be made to the people who donated memorial benches, to see if they would like to replace the bench before it is removed.

#### Confirmation of signatories

It was confirmed that Roland Howes is a signatory and Katie Knowles the new clerk will replace Diane Duffy as a signatory once she's removed. Clerk to check what is required.

## **Internet Banking**

CPC use internet banking and moving SLM Trustees to internet banking will make things much easier. All Trustees in agreement.

The chairman asked about an update on the car park at the meadow. EB confirmed that Cllr Bannell will update the Trustees as soon as he has all the information that is required.

## 30/21 TO RAISE ANY DOG ISSUES/CONCERNS

Brenda Mizen received a complaint from a neighbour of the meadow about noise from dogs barking during the dog agility. Brenda confirmed that the dog agility group will look to reduce noise where possible.

A complaint was also received about cars driving too fast up to the barn. Organisers of the dog agility and cricket club will speak to members and remind them to drive slowly through the meadow.

Cllr Clarke confirmed she has not moved forward with the friends of the meadow facebook request, at this time. The dog complaints will be monitored.

## 31/21 **CORRESPONDENCE**

A request has been received from Clanfield Challenge to use the meadow next year on 15<sup>th</sup> May. All trustees in agreement. Clanfield Challenge will be asked if they still need all their equipment that is in the barn, if not can it be removed.

There are also items left in the barn from the carnival. DC is in contact with one of the organisers and will ask them for it to be removed.

## **32/21 FINANCE**

The balance currently stands at £2362.88.

EB confirmed that there was one more payment to be received from the lady who damaged the barrier to the car park.

## 33/21 **INDIVIDUAL REPORTS**

## **Cricket Club:**

BW updated the Trustees on the progress of the pavilion. Plans are currently being drawn up by an architect to submit for planning permission. The legal side of the Covenant will progress through Clanfield Parish Council. DC reported that Mike Collins from the Cricket Club held a meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> July where representatives from the ECB and Hampshire Cricket board were in attendance, along with Cllr Harris, Cllr Moon and Cllr Argate. Solicitors have confirmed there is no need to have a legal document drawn up if all of the original beneficiaries of the covenant are in agreement (which is put in writing) to the proposal of the pavilion.

It was suggested at this meeting that sufficient grants would be available for the cricket pavilion to go ahead. The ECB will need to agree the pavilion is suitable for the site. There will also be a large outlay when installing services i.e. electricity to the meadow.

Club day is booked for 29<sup>th</sup> August, can it be moved to Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September? This will involve having a woman's game of soft ball, children's and men's game of cricket along with a BBQ. The day will be raising funds for the club. The event will start at 10am so will need to work round the dog agility. All trustees were in agreement.

The Sustainability Centre has an open day on 5<sup>th</sup> September and have asked if they can borrow the metal stakes and orange netting that is in the barn. They will need to collect on 2<sup>nd</sup> September and return on 6<sup>th</sup> September. All in agreement.

#### Barn/Toilet:

New toilets are now in place and being used. The cricket club will arrange disposal of the old toilet or confirm if they will be giving it to the Parish Council.

## Car park/Verge:

Nothing new to report.

## Play Equipment:

EB reported that ROSPA has carried out their inspections and work that is required will be quoted for and reported back to the Trustees. The trim trail has been highlighted by ROSPA as an item that needs to be planned for replacement.

## Hedgerow/Headland

After some discussion it was decided that the bramble will need to be cut back to maintain some control. A working party will be formed and meet at the meadow towards the end of October/beginning November and cut back the bramble. Tim Rook will be asked to cut the bramble next year.

It was also decided that a working party will meet this coming weekend (Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> August) and cut back the weeds in the area of the circle of trees and clear the burdock near the entrance to the car park.

Sunderton wildflower sowing will be done next year.

## Orchard

EB has emailed the gardening club but had no response. Will chase again as it doesn't appear that they are visiting the meadow.

### Signage

Nothing new to report

## 34/21 **10 YEAR PLAN**

#### Trees

It was agreed that the working party will look at the health of the trees in the meadow and around the car park.

#### Play equipment

This will be a large project and involve a lot of money. EB will get quotations for new equipment.

The Trustees need to look at what is annual maintenance and what requires a lot more money and planning. Trustees will decide at the next meeting, what items fall into a three year plan that is not maintenance.

#### 35/21 ANY FINAL MATTERS

RH commented that the grass cutting (which had been carried out the day before) already looked like it hadn't been done. EB to raise with the grass contractors.

## 36/21 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2021 and would commence at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting closed at 8.34 p.m.

## THESE ARE A TRUE ACCOUNT OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Signed	Dated