



ABOVE: SKETCH VIEW OF PROPOSED PLAYGROUND AT BELL MEADOW

Minutes
Woodham Walter Playground Working Group
Monday 20th January 2020 7.30pm
Woodham Walter Women's Club

Present: Councillor Joanna Symons, Councillor John Tompkins, Jacky Bannerman (Parish Clerk), Graham Bannerman, Bob Jones, Carolyn Gardener, Nigel Cornwell, Pam Seear

01. Welcome

- Joanna welcomed those present to the meeting.

02. Apologies for absence

- Apologies were noted from Mateja Simic

03. To approve Minutes for meetings dated 19th November 2019

- The minutes were approved as a true record of the meeting.

04. Playground Update

- Jacky reported that the fund stands at: £4364.27
- Wicksteed – Jacky reported that since the last meeting there has been some further communications with Wicksteed. They contacted to indicate that a mistake had been made and that the Stainless-Steel slide wasn't included in the price quoted (region of £2000). They were going to have a think about this and get back to me. Just before Christmas I received an invoice and request for credit checking. I responded pointing out the facts and haven't heard from them since. At this stage I'm minded to leave them be until we have the funds when we will be in a strong position to negotiate with Wicksteed or if necessary we can go back out to tender – there are a huge number of companies (without having to go back to either of the two we have already discounted).

05. Fundraising

i) Income since the last meeting:

- Christmas Tree Lighting. £76.50
- Tesco Collection £679.55
- Christmas Tree Recycling £161.45
- Donations including £400 Jenny Moody Properties, £50 Danbury Haulage Ltd
- Other donations from various individuals of £400
- £1000 from Bell Meadow Village Association Legacy

ii) Other Fundraising Events – on hold until we know about Grant applications. With the exception of the Bell Meadow Day Picnic

iii) Bell Meadow Day Picnic Sports Day

- Saturday or Sunday of Festival Weekend. Positive response from local organisations
- iv) Wine Tasting/Call My Bluff Wine
- No further action
- v) Queen Vic Quiz Night in Aid of Playground Fund – Thursday 2nd April – team required.
- vi) Other Ideas
- Film Night on Bell Meadow – too expensive
 - Comedy Night – in the village hall – to be considered at later date
 - Lecture – Robert McFarlane? Lisa awaiting response. - Declined
 - Quiz Night – to be considered at later date
 - River Trip – to be considered at later date
 - Street Party - to be considered at later date
 - Summer Lunch/Afternoon Tea - to be considered at later date
 - Bingo with Fish & Chips (pizza from Vic?) - to be considered at later date
 - Tesco – Easter bag pack – to be considered – after success of Christmas collection this would be worth considering.
 - Jazz Night/Big Band – to be considered at later date or maybe to tie in with Bell Meadow Picnic Event.
- vii) Other Fundraising
- Just Giving page will be set up with a specific goal at a later date.

06. Grant Applications

- i) Lottery Fund – £10,000 grant for playground projects applied for. Expect to hear April
- ii) Pocket Parks - £10,000 grant applied for. Expect to hear by February.
- iii) Other Funds:
- Mateja had sent through details of the Aviva fund which Jo will look into.
 - Calor – needs investigating
- ii) Other Grant Applications – on-going. Await results of Lottery/Pocket Parks.
- iii) Bell Meadow Village Association
- Funding of £1000 received.
- iv) Local Companies (Carolyn)
- This has resulted in several donations as above. Plus offer of support from Danbury Fencing.

07. Other Items

08. Date of next meeting

- Monday 17th February at 7.30pm in Women's Club and every 3rd Monday of the month.

Meeting Closed at 8.25pm