

## **Friends of Dollar Park**

Minutes of Meeting  
held on  
22 March 2016  
at 7.00pm  
in  
Masonic Lodge, Lint Riggs,  
Falkirk

**Present** – Les Pryde (Chair), LP Ian Gourlay (Treasurer), IG Christine Reid (Secretary), .  
Provost Pat Reid, Morris Robb, Alistair Smith, Ian Crozier and Irene Lumsden

**Apologies** – Robert Menzies, Norah Summers, Jessica Paterson Gordon Lumsden and  
Morvan Mack

**Introduction** - Les welcomed everybody.

### **Minutes of meeting of 19 January 2016**

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as a true record.

Proposed- Ian Gourlay – Seconded – Morris Robb

### **Matters arising**

There were no matters arising.

### **Dollar Park Working Group**

Report circulated by Provost. And he reported on it.

Arnotdale will be repaired with funding available. The Cyrenians will spend £400K on the house. Historic Scotland are anxious the chimneys go back up.

Tennis Courts will be started Mid May and finished in July 2016.

Tennis Scotland has an input into the development. (Kirsty)

Stewart Raeburn, new Sports Development officer. Morris has had a meeting with him.

Encouraging news here.

### **Open space of the Strategy Development**

General plans to be commended but Dollar Park has been omitted. It needs a master plan to be drawn up. Les asked why the park was omitted.

Les sent a letter to them but has not had a reply to date.

Hopefully this can be progressed for the future.

## **TENNIS COURTS**

Morris attended a meeting on 2nd March.

New ramp will now be at side of Courts in a north south direction. Large tree adjacent to be removed and other trees planted throughout the park . Because we've been consulted, planning permission has been granted.

On north boundary of tennis court, tree line reduced by 25%, consent granted.

Health and safety, During weeks of contract area adjacent to the children's playground closed Monday to Friday. Heavy vehicles will access site via Burnbrae Road.

Development Services will be in charge of this. In reply to a question by Alistair.

Ian C asked if there was to be a planting situation in the dip. This is for the tennis courts alone, stripping out material by Tennis Scotland. Retaining wall on S. Side will stay and then ramp down.

The path will be fully re-instated after the work is done.

## **ORCHARD PRUNING**

Les carried out the pruning of the fruit trees, public had been invited but only the 2 country side rangers turned up. A rolling program needs to be implemented over the next few years to ensure the trees are shaped and produce good yields.

## **MEMORIAL GARDEN**

Responses have been received. All in favor of this. Area suggested was an area near the front gate of the park. Layout seems to be suitable.

Alisatir asked about toys, etc., being left and was assured this is not going to be allowed at this garden. Meet with Steve Vause for planning this garden and signage.

This will be another improvement to the park. No problems are foreseen and if any occur they will be addressed immediately. There will be a small statue of Peter Pan sourced for the garden.

## **FRONT OF PARK**

Pat Reid asked about the area to the east of Arnotdale devoted to George Forrest. There has been work done here. A information board has been suggested to tell of the life of George Forrest.

Frontage of the park needs to be cleaned up to encourage visitors.

**WALLED GARDEN** Report has been commented upon from the report that Morris attended.

## **A.O.C.B.**

Morris raised the refurbishment of the doo'cote. Morris said this is not the work for volunteers it should be done by professionals.

This area should be concentrated on after the tennis court, Arnotdale, etc.

**Date of next Meeting**

24<sup>th</sup> May 2016 7pm Masonic Hall Lint Riggs Falkirk

**AGENDA**

**24<sup>th</sup> May 2016**

**7pm Masonic Hall Lint Riggs Falkirk**

Apologies

Minutes from Last Meeting

Matters Arising

Dollar Park Working Group

Tennis Courts

Park Maintenance

Walled Garden

Open Space Strategy and Parks Development Plan

AOCB

Date of next Meeting