

Friends of Dollar Park

Minutes of Meeting
held on
11th October 2016 at 7.00pm

Municipal Buildings Falkirk

Present – Les Pryde (Chair), LP, Morris Robb, (Vice Chair), MR, Ian Gourlay (Treasurer), IG, Provost Pat Reid, Alistair and Maureen Smith, Robert Menzies.

Apologies – Robert Tait, Ian Scott, Christine Reid, G & I Lumsden, Shirley Johnson

Introduction - Les welcomed everybody.

Minutes of meeting of 4 May 2016

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

Proposed- Ian Gourlay – Seconded –Maureen Smith

Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

Dollar Park Working Group

To date no meeting arranged.

Open Spaces Strategy and Parks Development Plan

A meeting of the Councils Executive was to take place on 18th October to agreed set of changes to the Consultative Draft Open Spaces Strategy. LP to attend.

TENNIS COURTS

The newly refurbished courts were officially opened on the 7th October, LP, MR, IG, attended. Ian Scott chairman of the Community Trust, who was responsible for instigating the refurbishment, outlined the background after which the provost Pat Reid officially opened the new courts. Pupils from the local schools made use of the courts thereafter.

It was generally agreed the new courts had greatly improved the ambience of that part of the park.

WALLED GARDEN

LP and IG commented on the maintenance of the landscaped areas which was of a good standard. It appeared that not a lot of the general public were utilizing the facility.

A.O.C.B.

Robert Menzies had brought up a number of points with Jessica Paterson of Development Services and her responses are as under noted.

- The Peter Pan mould for the Memorial Garden has been sent to the fabricators and installation is hoped to be completed before Christmas.
- TVC has put tree guards around the trees in the orchard
- The Cyrenians were advertising for a Walled Garden Co-coordinator
- A stone conservator was going to Zetland Park and Jessica would speak to him with regards to looking at the Chinese Lions re costing to get them cleaned up and the possibility of the Friends applying for a small grant to cover the costs.

A suggestion was made re information boards that could be put up in the walled garden depicting information re Robert Dollar, George Forrest etc.

Date of next Meeting

10th January 2017 Council Chambers Municipal Buildings Falkirk.