

# Friends of Coalville Park Monthly Meeting

Thursday 12 September 2019, 18:30 at Coalville Park Compound

Attendees					
Andy Sipika - Chair	AS	Cllr Terri Eynon	TE	Kevan Harvey	KH
Sandra Ramp - Treasurer	SR	Cllr John Legrys	JL	Kate Insley	KI
Amy Shepherd - Secretary	AMS	Emma Trahearn	ET	Paul Ashmore	PA
Jason Knight (part meeting)	JK				
Apologies					
John Merison	JM				

	MINUTES & ACTIONS	Resp	Due
1	<p>AS opened the meeting.</p> <p>AS welcome Kate Insley to the meeting who had heard about the Friends group through attending one of the Tai Chi sessions.</p> <p>AS confirmed that Karena has decided that due to other commitments she will no longer be part of the FoCP group.</p>		
2	<p><b>Initiatives update</b></p> <p><b>Play Equipment</b></p> <p>SR gave the group an update about play equipment.</p> <p>SR and AMS attended a meeting with ET and Julie Summerton at NWLDC to discuss grant applications and have since began to investigate some of the options.</p> <p>Landfill companies Mick George and Veolia provide large grants (£50k/£75K) and may be possible. JK confirmed that the section 106 funding could be used to pay the CTP (Contributing Third Party) Donation which both companies require and directly relates to Landfill Tax. Often around 10% but calculated on an individual basis.</p> <p>By far the largest grant is the Reaching Communities National Lottery Grant which would cover the cost of entire play area project. However this cannot be applied for by the FoCP group as we have to own or lease the land. ET and JK confirmed that NWLDC can put in an expression of interest and if successful apply for the grant, supported by FoCP. ET, SR and AMS to meet to discuss next steps.</p> <p>JK will present the proposal for Play Equipment to the next Coalville Special Expenses Committee to gain their support for the project. SR has provided information and stats to JL who is part of the committee to support the proposal.</p> <p><b>Community Garden</b></p> <p>The community garden plans were discussed. Concerns were raised about whether there was a Community for the Community Garden and that commitment was needed from a group before we proceed further with this initiative.</p> <p><b>Park Improvement</b></p> <p>JL advised that there is negative feeling within the local community with regards to the "extension" however the group feel that plans have been misunderstood. Consultation with public is needed and door to door canvassing was suggested. It was agreed that this initiative be renamed to Improvement (not extension)</p>	ET, AMS, SR	
A	<p>AS requested that better images and business plans for the community garden and park improvement project need to be produced ready for the next meeting with a view to arranging further public consultation on all three initiatives – perhaps an exhibition in Christ Church Hall.</p>	PA/JM	

	A decision will be made at next meeting about whether we proceed with all initiatives		
<b>3</b>	<b>Existing Projects</b> SR updated the group about the Bird/ Wildlife Box project. Quotations received for making boxes from MRC, CEP and Men in Sheds. The group agreed that Men in Sheds can be used. SR and AMS have contacted a number of schools and community groups to gauge interest and already have 5 groups interested. KI suggested that the Coalville Brownies Group would be able to take part and had been added to the list. SR and AMS to meet and proceed with grant application.	SR /AMS	
<b>4</b>	<b>Potential Future Projects</b> Tai chi was successful. Spring/ summer next year look to arrange a series of classes and taster session. This will be picked back up in 2020 with a member of the group (potentially KI) taking ownership of the project and making arrangements for classes and associated funding applications.		
<b>5</b>	<b>Website</b> SR discussed ideas for a FoCP website. ET advised that the cost of the website could come out of the budget that the council have to support the group. Friendsofcoalvillepark.org will be used and SR has kindly agreed to build the website	SR	
<b>6</b>	<b>NWLDC Update</b> ET confirmed about CCTV in the park which was an action from last meeting. There are currently two CCTV cameras surveying the tennis courts and skate park, and the main entrance and depot. ET recommended that a powered pole suitable for a mobile camera could be incorporated into play area plans.		
<b>7</b>	<b>Park Update</b> The flag pole has now been installed and the Green Flag is flying proudly! Planting of pollination bed is progressing. Park improvement plan to be added to agenda for meetings going forward. Park improvement plan to be circulated to all for review in advance of the next meeting  Gym equipment cleaning has been done and planned in again, photos to be provided	AMS	
<b>8</b>	<b>Actions from last meeting</b> AMS ran through the actions from the last meeting which were agreed as completed.		
<b>9</b>	<b>AOB</b> There was no other business to discuss. Date of next meeting Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October – 6pm at the Park Depot		
<b>END OF MEETING</b>			

