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**Minutes of the Friends of Ancells Farm Committee Meeting**

**15th April 2015**

**Attendees:**

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| **Committee:** | **Guests** |
| Sam Hallam-Wright | Stephen Parker – Hart District Councillor |
| Helen Newman |  |
| Isy Paton |  |
| Jackie Fahey |  |
| Phil Fahey |  |
| Marjorie Withers |  |

**Apologies:**

Nicola Saunders

Simon Taylor

**Appointment of Treasurer**

Helen Newman volunteered to take on the Treasure role and she was unanimously voted in by the Committee.

Now that Natasha has left the Committee it was decided to change the signatories. Helen, Sam and Jackie agreed to be signatories and Isy said she would be meeting with Natasha to arrange for this to happen.

**Update on Finances**

**Easter Egg Hunt**

The Easter Egg hunt was a huge success and we made a profit of £203.

**Tarmac for Basketball court**

George Woods is trying to get the tarmac for free and IP was going to follow this up with him.

**Youth Shelter**

The ‘Onion’ Youth Shelter comes in three sizes and the smallest one seating 9 people is £3,000 without the roof. The roof would be an additional £600. The largest of the shelters is £14,000.

**Action Day**

The Action Day is planned for Saturday 18 April. Various tasks are planned such as fertilising and weeding the hedges, litter picking, cleaning signs etc. The Committee discussed the logistics for the day and what tasks take are a priority.

**Fleet Lions bid**

Every year, Fleet Lions run a ‘Lion’s den’ so that local groups can win financial of other support. The maximum grant available is £1,000. The Committee discussed what the priority might be when bidding for the money on 22nd May. IP said we needed to bid for a physical item such as the Table Tennis and the focus should be on teenagers. IP to draft entry?

**FOAF Inbox**

JF gave an update on the in box. One topic raised by a resident of Ancell’s Farm was the treatment of the Geese in the Park (she has witnessed them being attacked by dogs and children and reported the incidents to the Police and the RSPCA. JF had responded to them and forwarded their concerns to Stephen Parker and Jonny Wright. SP had suggested JW raise the issue at the next Council meeting.

Another resident had complained about the zip wire being too taut. HN and IP said it had been recently tightened and therefore had to have time to slacken.

We had an email from XX who wanted to show the Committee a video on conservation. It was agreed it might be more appropriate to show to forward then email to the Scouts.

**Future Fundraising**

SHW asked if the Committee could support the Falkners Arms Fun Day on 3rd May, particularly has they had supported the FOAF with their events. Other ideas included:

* Summer picnic
* Cheese & wine event
* ‘Spanish Night’

**To be discussed further at next meeting.**

**Aob**

* Litter bins – more bins needed. SMW to speak to JW.
* Dragons teeth – a number need replacing around the park.
* Green Gym - ?
* The next ‘Its your neighbourhood’ is June. Should we consider if we are entering?

Review leaflet at next meeting.

**Next meeting: Wednesday 20th May**