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| **1.** | **ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** | |
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|  | **PRESENT:** |  |
|  | **Committee Members:** |  |
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|  | **APOLOGIES:** |  |
|  | Jackie Fahey (JF) |  |
|  | **GUEST:**  Stephen Parker (SP) |  |

1. **Agreement of previous minutes & matters arising**

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed by all as a true and accurate record of the meeting. The majority of matters arising were either completed, or covered by agenda items.

1. **Easter Egg Hunt**

It was agreed that this had gone well. Thanks were extended to all those involved and to the Falkners Arms & Tesco for donating Easter eggs. £276.26 has been raised so far. There are still a few excess Easter eggs, which are being sold by Committee members.

It was agreed that the event would benefit from more advertising next year, including Fleet Life and Raring to Go.

1. **Financial Report**

There is £4.5k in the bank account, mostly earmarked towards the onion. We are waiting to hear about whether a grant application to Fleet Town Council has been successful.

Helen is progressing the new bank account.

**Action Points**

* Open new bank account with HSBC (HN)
* Close existing bank account with Lloyds (HN)

1. **Onion Project**

Isy has applied for a grant for £3k from Fleet Town Council. This was considered on Monday 18th April and we are waiting to hear from the Council on the outcome. Although the Onion has wooden flooring, it will still need a concrete base underneath. Part of the grant application requested money to do this.

1. **Events for the year**

Committee members met at the park Saturday 2nd April to trim one bank of hedges, which now looks great.

Fleet Town Council residents meeting took place on 5th April. JF and ST attended.

Fleet Town Council action day 23rd April

An event to mark the Queen’s 90th birthday was a good idea – around 10th June – details to be arranged.

A quiz – details to be arranged.

**Action Points**

* Arrange Quiz & Queen’s birthday event.

1. **Membership Update**

* No update

1. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Sam Hallam-Wright has confirmed that she has resigned from the Committee. The Committee extends their thanks to Sam for her contribution to FOAF.

There was a discussion around the forthcoming consultation about the future changes / improvements to the Harlington Centre and the associated increase in Council Tax.

1. **NEXT MEETINGS (3rd Wednesday of the month)**

18th May

15th June

20th July

August No Meeting