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| **1.** | **ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** |
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|  | **PRESENT:** |  |
|  | **Committee Members:** |  |
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| Simon Taylor (ST) Helen Newman (HN) Isabella Paton (IP) Jackie Fahey (JF) | (Chairman) (Treasurer) (Membership & Secretary) |

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|  | **APOLOGIES:**  |  |
|  | Marjorie Withers (MW) |  |
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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. **AGM**

It was agreed that this had gone well. Thanks were extended to all those involved.

1. **Easter Egg Hunt**

Eggs are being provided by Tesco and the Falkners Arms. Our thanks go to each of these for their support. Bacon rolls, hot cross buns etc are being provided by the Falkners Arms. The trail has been rewritten and is being printed. Raffle prizes were secured, be more would be good. Helen is sending an advert to the newspaper.

1. **Financial Report**

There is £4.5k in the bank account, mostly earmarked towards the onion.

It was agreed that due to difficulties with the Lloyds Bank Mandate Variation form, that it was easier to open a new bank account. It was agreed to open a new account with HSBC and to close the existing Lloyds account. Helen agreed to arrange this.

**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 will be considered in the next financial year. Flooring needs to be considered.

1. **Events for the year**

6th Fleet Cubs park clean up evening of 10th March has taken place. They did a great job helping spread mulch below the hedges. Isy trimmed most of the hedges, but we need to trim the ones along Ancells Road before they start to leaf / birds nest. It was agreed to meet at the park 2pm Saturday 2nd April to do this.

Fleet Town Council action day 23rd April

Fleet Town Council residents meeting 5th April.

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

A quiz – details to be arranged.

**Action Points**

* Update website about Cubs help.
* Meet at park to trim hedges 2pm Saturday 2nd April
1. **Membership Update**

Payment of subs was discussed. Paypal charge a fee, for paying through them. Therefore it was agreed we should encourage members to pay by cheque, cash or direct bank transfer / standing order.

Paypal account needs contact details updating and need to work out how to create automatic receipt to members who pay via Paypal.

It may be possible to persuade Paypal to waive their fee as we are a community group.

**Action Points**

* Review / update membership form to reflect preferred payment method (JF)
* Create Standing Order standard (HN)
* Paypay updates (HN)
* Contact Paypal to try and get fees waived (HN)
1. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Isy has approached Fleet Town Council to discuss problems with grass save matting under play equipment – this is not working & the area is very muddy. FTC have taken this on board and will consider options.

The banner in the park will need replacing within the next year. Consideration should be given for a permanent sign in the park.

**Action Points**

* Contact FTC re flooring & banner
1. **NEXT MEETINGS (3rd Wednesday of the month)**

20th April

18th May

15th June

20th July

August No Meeting