

Friends of Roseburn Park Minutes of 25 April 2016, 7pm Meeting

Present: Pete Gregson (Chair), Neil Gardner, Jane Stevenson, Hamish Ross (from 2nd item)

Apologies: Alette Willis, Jim Gibb

Murrayfield Wanderers

Neil would continue to liaise with Murrayfield Wanderers. FoRP's preference is for them to stay on the Murrayfield Back Pitches, and for the latter to be opened up to community use. Beyond that there are possible concerns over: the density and exclusivity of sporting use in the west half of the park; any suggestion that the rights to the use of any part of the park be tied to any proposed development of facilities.

Neil will continue to liaise.

Approval of minutes (23 Mar 2016) and matters arising The minutes were approved with thanks to Alette. It was noted that: Hamish had spoken to the park historian about title but had not found anything. This was not worth pursuing at present. Neil had spoken to Darren: they were prepared to consider looking into the re-use of the Baird Drive bridge; there had been doubts about artwork, and putting nails in flood walls; and a general meeting with the various construction/Council stakeholders was being sought.

Minutes approved

Flood-works Stakeholders - feedback from meeting? There had been no meeting.

Neil is due to attend the next one.

Park Improvement Plan. Pete was due to speak to Roseburn Court residents and still hoped to engage the ice rink. The revised suggestions had been presented at the Murrayfield Community Council and further feedback received. There may be more ideas to be distilled from the free text comments. Various ideas about the future use of the current play area were raised and Pete would ask Roseburn Court residents about these. Pete would submit a bid to the One City Trust for landscape architect fees based on RPS submission and any submission that Neil can generate from his contacts. Pete and Neil were due to present at the next Neighbourhood Partnership meeting – all others were welcome, and there was a meet the funders meeting that afternoon as well. There was some discussion over the layout of the proposed café refurbishment of the toilet block (the current layout assumes that it will be a public catering facility). Lease arrangement discussions were postponed to the next meeting. The oak tree had been apparently stolen from the site yard. Pete would enquire as to other possible trees, but this would clearly delay the tree sculpture/seating plan.

Pete to meet Roseburn Court and pursue ice rink.

Pete to submit One City bid based on RPS estimate. **Neil** to generate estimate from contact if willing.

Pete and **Neil** to present to the NP meeting.

Pete to enquire after other sculptable trees

Bank. Postponed to next meeting.

Nomination to Murrayfield Community Council following resignation of Valerie Forbes. Postponed to FoRP's AGM.

FoRP AGM – date postponed to next meeting. Where there was interest in participation, those parties should be invited to future meetings in the interim. A general call for new Trustees to be elected at the AGM should also be made. Hamish would look into the cost of alternative venues for FoRP Board meetings in general.

Hamish to look at meeting venues

AOCB

None

Dates of Next Meetings.

25 May

22 June