

Minutes: Saturday 9 February 2019

1. **Attendees:** Dave Mikkelson, Sylvia Mikkelson, Betty Elsdon, Beryl Brand,, Pat Smith, Peter Sellek, Helen Johnson, Brian Smith, Annemarie Gäbler, Susan Isherwood, Darryl Collins
2. **Apologies:** Jackie Burton, Mike Waines, Janet Hillier
3. **Minutes of previous meeting 12/01/2019** were approved
4. **Matters arising not on the Agenda**

Surgery referrals - DM Not heard back from Conygre Surgery. BS met with Northville Family Practice Manager and they will put forward any patients who may benefit from joining in Community Garden activities. BS will organise meeting with patients/surgery to explain garden activities as and when contacted.

The Northville Community Garden (NCG) - constitution has been agreed with FTC. We will keep in touch as promised to help and mentor them. NCG can apply for an RHS Funding for new community spaces that requires partnership with an IYN garden which FCG can help with. PS offered to give surplus plants to NCG as well.

Paving around benches - Had great response from call out for slabs on facebook so as well as round benches is laid by tap and compost bin.
5. **Tennis Court Path**

The lowest quote received for work on banking up path of £2,950 is from Aspire Property Maintenance who DM has met - they know and support the garden ethics. To add to the £1000 received from MAF funding, DM has applied to the Landfill Trust and is waiting for result.
6. **Funding, Asda, Community Engagement Forum**

At the Community Forum Meeting in January DM met with Asda's new Community Champion and has applied for FCG to join the green token scheme at Filton Asda again. DM also met Nessa, the SGC Community Engagement Officer who gave him a form to apply for funding towards a project which will do when project identified.
7. **Request for Memorial Bench (Howard Bowker)**

Howard's family has requested a bench in the garden in memory of the great support he gave to the garden and the Filton community. DM has given the family

details of the benches we use and committee agreed if they buy the bench we will install it with a plaque. We will give them guidance on where to put it and suggest near the rosebeds would be a good site.

8. **Summer Fete**

Arrangements so far booked: Punch and Judy, Face activity stall, Karate teas, Air Ambulance to raise funds either on stall or roaming activity or bucket, Filton Twinning TBC, Hook a duck PS.

Line dancing sadly would not be safe in the garden as needs hard surface AG
Cakes - to be as much plastic free as possible AG asked for donations of for suitable boxes such as Thorntons choc boxes!

9. **Birds Sign**

DM will arrange an information board based on the poster shown, to be placed near the bug house. This will serve as another way young people can connect with the natural environment by identifying birds. DM will sort out scruffy map at same time.

10. **Filton Community Plan – Green Spaces**

See update circulated with minutes.

11. **RHS Certificates Reframed**

Copies of the award certificates that were on wall in the Doug Daniels Pavillon and some of which had been lost) have all have been framed and will be given back to FTC to replace in the room. DM

12. **Work to do in the Garden**

- Edge the concorde beds with wood DM
- Fencing on rose beds needs painting DM
- Fencing around perimeter fence HJ in May
- Picking up wood - All
- General tidy up -All
- Cut back plants in the hubs AG SI AK HJ

13. **A.O.B**

- **Hub bed wood** has been replaced where broken
- **Avon Wildlife Trust wellbeing day** 28 Feb in Community Centre and will go in garden if weather good. All invited to attend and DM to place poster in the noticeboard.

- **Filton Leisure Centre have an 'everything free' Open day** on 21 Feb 9-4pm. FCG will have an information table in the Doug Daniels Pavilion DM SM and any other volunteers to help. The Wellbeing College will also be there.
- **Friends on Friday** - a scheme run by other community garden offers a 2 hour weekly slot where anyone can come along to the garden for a chat and activity. We can set up similar on a regular basis when the weather gets better to which referrals from surgeries can come. HJ offered to support from May.
- **Airbus funding** - We applied, unsuccessfully, in previous year to this scheme where tokens are collected in The Post We won't get involved this year.
- **Bat boxes** - HJ has found a simple instructions to send to DC for Men in Sheds. DC is already making one for the garden.
- **Green spaces** - Kingswood Community map would be interesting to look at and compare with one being made for Filton by FTC. PS to send to DM
- **Tree saplings** - DM to purchase 105 trees for £105 from Woodland Trust and sell for £1 each as part of community plan green spaces endeavour.

14. **Date of Next Meeting**

9 March 2019

Dates for diary:

<p>Sat 16 Feb 10:00 Millenium Green</p>	<p>Community Litter Pick organised by Friends of Millenium Green. Meet by Northville Road gates. Equipment provided. Any questions 07960687072</p>
<p>Mon 18 Feb 10:00 - 12:00 Doug Daniels Pavilion</p>	<p>Filton Chest and Heart Quiz. for tea coffee and biscuits in the and presentation from Great Western Ambulance from noon. £1 admission</p>
<p>Thurs 21 Feb 09:00 - 16:00 Filton Sports and Leisure Centre</p>	<p>Filton Leisure Centre Open Day FTG stall in the DD Pavilion Free</p>
<p>Thurs 28 Feb 11:30 - 14:00 Filton Community Centre</p>	<p>Avon Wildlife Trust Wellbeing Day Will go into garden weather permitting. More info/book Free</p>
<p>Sat 2 March</p>	<p>Filton Twinning Association Charity Quiz raising funds</p>

19:00 - 22:30 Badminton Hall, Ratepayers	for FACE and Filton Twinning. First question at 7.30pm. Entrance £4 More info
Sat 14 July	Filton Festival
Sat 21 July	Filton Community Garden Summer Fete