

<u>Minutes of Coe's Meadow Management Committee</u> <u>Meeting held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 7.30 pm</u>

<u>Present</u> - Chris Leigh, Kevin Leigh, Terri Bowler, Heather Young, Claire Garden , Carolyn Munroe and one member of the public.

<u>Apologies for absence</u> - there were no apologies

<u>Declaration of Interests</u> – CL asked if there were any interests in the agenda to declare it – there were none.

<u>Approval of the minutes</u> – The last minutes were read by TB. They were agreed and signed by CL.

Gates – The Gates have been locked all winter but it was felt that they should be opened ready for Easter, especially as the weather should be getting warmer and less chance of the ground being damaged by cars. Unfortunately Ken is not well and is not able to help with the gates so CM agreed to keep hold of the keys should it be necessary to lock the gates at any time.

<u>Field Maintenance</u> - Unfortunately we no longer have the help of PF with the field and he has the connection with Stour Valley. CL will look into this.

SUCKERS need to be removed from the Lime Trees MC offered to do this for us.

CL obtained seeds for the field last year. Unfortunately the school children were not able to spread the seeds so members of the committee did so.

<u>Laurels</u> – The Laurels along the side of Lime walk are now too high and complaints have been made by neighbours. CL will look into the cost of having them reduced and all the rubbish being taken away. She will need three estimates. TB to obtain the number of a tree surgeon in Wickham St Pauls.

<u>Working Party</u> – Stour Valley volunteers come every year to help with the field and CL makes soup and rolls for all. However, this year she is not able to do so, so will look into alternative options.

<u>Fun Day</u> – It was agreed that the Fun Day will be on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2018 1pm – 5.00pm. As this is Father's day it will take on a Father's theme. It was decided to go back to the previous set up and times for an afternoon event. There will be the usual stalls:-

Bar - which we will work ourselves

Burgers/barbeque Donkeys Ice-Cream Strawberries and cream teas Zorbs Band – Tb to ask a local group to play for charity Games Toilet Cream – From Byhams Sweet Tombola – TB Chairs to be hired from Twinstead Village hall Buckeroo / Sumo Quotes Play equipment – We have got our ROSPA certificate for this year. One bench on the field has collapsed and been removed, another is rotting and likewise a sign.

New dog poo bin to go at the end of the walk leading to the sewage farm and also new dog signs are to be put up.

<u>Basketball surface</u> - <u>CL</u> to see if the Pc will still pay for the resurfacing. Work was not able to go ahead as the money had been frozen

<u>Play Equipment</u> – We would like to have another piece of play equipment on the field. Committee liked the idea of the balance scales. CL to see about prices for a four person one. We currently have £4,213.14.

Boule pit - to be deferred to the next meeting

We are considering holding a Christmas event but this will be discussed later in the year

<u>Date of Next Meeting.</u> - The next meeting will be held after the fun Day.

There will however be lots of working party meetings in between.

There being no more business the meeting was closed at 8.40 pm