

## **Friends of Hartley Park**

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Notes from the meeting of the Friends of Hartley Park, held at Compton Methodist Church at 6.30pm on 20/05/2010.

Persons attending the meeting: Mr. Clifton - Treasurer, Mr. Delamare - Secretary, Mrs. Roberts – Gammage - Chairwoman, Mr. Colville - MP, Mr. Ball – Councilor PCC, Mr. Stark – Councilor PCC, Mr. Harrison – Poole – Parks PCC, Mr. Thorne – Youth Trust, Mr. Roberts, Miss. Roberts, Mr. Tranter, Mrs. Keaty, Mrs. Yabsley, Mrs. Werker, Miss. Carr, Miss. Bradshaw, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Ringwood, Mr. Barriball, Mr. Stevenson, Mrs. Stevenson.

Apologies were received from: Mr. Kirton – PCSO, Mr. & Mrs. Duffield, Mr. Fry – Councilor PCC, Ms. Gainsbrough, Ms. Gilbey.

Mr. Delamare opened the meeting, and introduced Mrs. Penny Roberts – Gammage, the new Chairwoman of The Friends of Hartley Park.

Mrs. Roberts – Gammage then opened a discussion about the current situation regarding  $\pounds 14000$  of section 106 money, which is to be spent on the park,  $\pounds 12000$  specifically on refurbishing the tennis court, the other  $\pounds 2000$  to be spent in the park. Mr. Harrison Poole said that money was reserved for the park, and he was dealing with the project for the Council. A site visit with The Friends of Hartley Park would take place to gather information about what was required, before quotes were applied for. The Target is for the  $\pounds 14000$  to obtain match funding for other sports related projects, such as the ball court, Mr. Harrison – Poole said that he would assist with applications, and that he could provide a list of funding that is currently available. Green flag status was discussed, and Mr. Harrison – Poole said that he thought the park was suitable for this, he would provide help with the application at the next opportunity, which was December.

Mr. Clifton then opened a discussion about future improvements to the park, these were listed as:

Childrens play area, Goal posts on grass area, restocking the community flower bed, ball play area goal netting, path repairs, gates for the other two entrances, the serviceability and use of the tennis court lighting, picnic benches, bulb planting, worm charming, protection collars for smaller trees, the repair of the existing mural, and the possibility of a new one.



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Mrs. Keaty is having problems with the condition of the wall adjoining the rear of the houses in Hartley Park Gardens, Mr. Ball said he may be able to find help with the problem, Mr. Delamare said he would put them in touch via email. The condition of the perimeter wall is also of concern, and Mr. Harrison – Poole said that the parks authority was currently obtaining special funding to do the work. It was felt unfair that other areas have obtained large amounts of funding to refurbish their parks, whilst our area has received very little.

Mrs. Roberts – Gammage then ran through the AGM part of the meeting, and called upon Mr. Clifton as treasurer to update the meeting upon the groups financial status. Mr. Clifton reported that the group had sufficient funds to administer any fundraising activity the group had planned, and that this money had all come from public donation. The bank account is now a full joint signature charitable group status account. Mr Delamare as Secretary, reported that over the next few months, a full update of the members list will be taking place, to ensure all data that is held is up to date, and approved. As the groups webmaster, Mr. Delamare invited anyone to comment on, or supply additional material for the website.

The meeting was brought to a close at 7.30pm, future meetings will be advised by email and posters.