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Minutes of meeting on Tuesday 14th February 2011,
Parkway Methodist Church

Present: Hugh Holden, Mary Montgomery, Anne Devereaux, Liz Osborn, Suzanna van Moyland.
Apologies: Roland Bruce, Ivy Bolt, Iris Bolster, Jerome Edwards, Carolyn Picton, Sally Seddon.

Main Business:

Ashley Street Park:

The issue of the lovely big free picnic bench for Ashley Street Park has gone to the Parks Forum. Hugh has been in touch with Pete Clarke, who said he will follow it up soon. MRPG is deeply concerned that delays risk losing the generously donated picnic bench. BCC's stumbling block, over a 15-year maintenance/removal commitment, should not be an issue as the picnic bench requires no maintenance and MRPG commits to removing it if necessary. If there is no resolution, MRPG will take this matter higher.

The Cherry tree will be replaced by Tree Bristol in Spring.

Suzanna noted that bats are a common feature of dusks in Ashley Street Park. She will make enquiries about how to conduct a survey in the area.

There were discussions about replacing the fallen Rowan tree this Spring, which would cost £25.

Mina Road Park:

Goska of the Community Centre will be applying for funding for 'Picnic in the Park' again this year. She has the full support of MRPG after a very successful, enjoyable, very well-attended and well-organised community event in the park last year.

MRPG obtained funding from 'Clean & Green' for an additional Notice Board, but has had no direct communication about this.

- Hugh will follow this up.

Anne reported that the wall by Jubilee Road needs attention.

Anne also reported sightings of a kingfisher a couple of times in the park, an owl was heard a few weeks ago and a sparrowhawk was seen in Magdalene Place.

The issue of the replacement Wildlife Board for Mina Road Park is still ongoing. Miles Harris has been in touch with the Community Centre.

- Hugh will chase this up.

Other Green Areas

Hugh will generously donate a cedar to Scrapstore. Scrapstore was very keen to plant the cedar, which will greatly enhance the vicinity of the Proving House, however it has just lost its support funding and therefore won't be able to cover the costs as it had hoped to. Tree Bristol has already done a service check, so the planting of the cedar will be able to go ahead.

Any Other Business

Richard Fletcher, Engagement Team, is following up re: unpaid meeting room fees for MRPG meetings and Anne will ask Ivy to get in touch with the church.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 13th March 2012, 7.30pm, Parkway Methodist Church. All welcome.