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MINA ROAD PARK GROUP

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

Present: Hugh Holden, Roland Bruce, Jerome Edwards, Mary Montgomery, Iris Bolster, Suzanna van Moyland

Apologies: Ivy Bolt, Rod Collier, Anne Devereaux, Liz Osborn, Carolyn Picton, Sally Seddon

Matters Arising:

Hugh phoned Pete Clarke at BCC about the terrible standard of horticultural upkeep. He came out very quickly, took photos and contacted English Landscapes — who have committed to weed, seed and spike the grass, also edge the beds and bark mulch as soon as possible both in Mina Park and Ashley Street Park. He will also flag up the stream outlet and the buddleia in Mina Road Park, and request that bins be jet-washed.

Hugh flagged up with the Police about possible over-spill amplified music in Mina Road Park after the Farm Fair.

Main Business:

St Werburghs Park:

English Landscapes have been asked by Pete Clarke to cut down the encroachment previously cleared over the winter to within a metre of the back walls and to maintain regularly.

Ashley Street Park:

The stump has not been ground out and the rails have not been painted.

The newly-planted cherry tree unfortunately has bacterial cancer. The newly-planted cedar and silver birch appear in good health.

- Hugh to contact Tree Bristol about the cherry tree.

There may be a funding opportunity under Sita Trust's Enhancing Communities Programme for play area small grants.

- Iris and Suzanna will meet and explore possible funding for Ashley Street Park play area.

Mina Road Park:

The group noted that there should be proper bins in the kickabout area, rather than the plastic bags there at the moment.

There is silt build-up around the stream.

The Big Tree Plant:

Hugh met with Jeff Hill who kindly said that Scrapstore will pay for two trees: a cedar in the carpark and another tree on the triangle of the roundabout. The group noted that this is a very generous offer, and that the trees will greatly enhance that area of St Werburghs.

Hugh and Suzanna met Emma Whitaker of the Big Tree Plant/Bristol Forest of Avon Trust to run through the map and list of possible sites proposed by the group for the tree planting bid.

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Election of Officers. Nominations were received for:

Chair — Hugh Holden

Vice Chair — Roland Bruce

Treasurer — Jerome Edwards

Secretary — Suzanna van Moyland

All were re-elected/elected unopposed.

The group send their best wishes to Ivy.

The group would like to thank Anne for her hard work and commitment to Mina Road Park.

The group expressed their gratitude to Iris, who was MRPG Secretary for an impressive 13 years until March.

Next Meeting

Tuesday 19th July 2011, 7.30pm, Parkway Methodist Church. All welcome.