

MEETING OF FRIENDS OF CROOKED WELL MEADOW

3rd March, 2011 – Bradnor View Close, Kington

Attendees:

Steve Hodges (Chair)
Tracy Oliver (Treasurer)
Katie Hodges (Secretary)
Steve Oliver
Hayzel Fitzpatrick

1. Welcome and Introductions

- SH welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies

- Cassie Reade
- Kelly Thomas
- Jo Griffiths

3. Funding from Kington Town Council (2010/11)

- It was explained that of the £500 received from Kington Town Council, £260 remained unspent. £240 had been spent on the Wildplay event (22nd July).
- It was originally intended to spend the remainder of the grant on wildflower planting. However, many people would prefer to see a football goal installed instead. Kington Town Council had confirmed that as it was still for the benefit of Crooked Well Meadow, we would be able to spend the money on this instead. As such, quotes for a football goal had been obtained. The cheapest was for £266.28 (Edwards Sports). **It was agreed that we would place an order for a football goal.**
- It was explained that Kington Town Council were running a further grant scheme (closing date 4th March). There was discussion around our potential application.
- **It was agreed that we would apply for funding from Kington Town Council to contribute towards the costs of a playevent (£250) and the purchase/installation of a bench (£204) and a bin (£83) in the toddler area.**

4. Community event

- There was discussion around whether the group should look to hold a further community event. The Grand Opening of 16th May had been a great success and a number of people were keen that we held another event.
- It was acknowledged that any such event wouldn't be on such a large scale as the Grand Opening. Opportunities in arranging something around the Big Lunch 2011 (5th June) were discussed. This 'get-together for neighbours' could include organising a picnic/food followed by some kind of playevent. **It was agreed that we should look into the Big Lunch 2011 in more detail.**

5. Additional equipment

- Members expressed an interest in adding more equipment to the site.
- Suggestions included: old fashioned swings, wooden boat, roundabout.
- It was explained that thought would need to be given to not only the cost of purchasing/installing equipment but also the cost of maintaining it (as it would need to be adopted by Herefordshire Council/Amey).

6. Date/venue of next meeting – TBC