

## Friends of Rhyddings Park

Minutes of the AGM  
17<sup>th</sup> July 08

**Parks for People bid** – no update but we are expecting to find out in a couple of weeks time.

**Pets Corner** – Clean up day was held, thanks to all who came and gave their time, the park looked lovely for the event the Orchestral Manoeuvres event.  
Newspaper article about the goat was explained. Parks department have expressed concerns if anyone else is hurt.  
Gayle and Neil are preparing text panels for the park – and a funding bid will be submitted to the area council.

**Orchestral Manoeuvres in the Park** – everyone was very happy with the event and want more events in the park – possibly twice a year. About 1,000 attended the event throughout the afternoon. Brian Walmsley suggested approaching the Area Council for some funding for next year's event. There were minor issues with disabled access but this is because the paths are bad. It was suggested that if another similar event was held we should change the time from 2pm to 6pm rather than 3pm to 7pm. And it was asked if we could consider Military Bands. Funding is the major issue so we need to discuss fund raising for another event.

**Policing** – PCSOs were out yesterday because young people taking chunks out of trees plus the PCSOs are starting to take alcohol off young people.  
Old garage at the top of park – it is an unsafe building and young people keep coming in. Parks dept have said it needs to come down.

**CCTV** – should be up soon – posts already in place.

**Play Area Money** – Neil wrote to Craig Horabin to express interest in this funding – no decision has been made yet.

**Website** – this is now up and running [www.rhyddingspark.co.uk](http://www.rhyddingspark.co.uk) – anything anyone wants to add to it i.e. times of bowling, pictures etc – should send to Gayle [info@gayleknight.co.uk](mailto:info@gayleknight.co.uk)

**Bird box project** – we have received £9,100 from Breathing Places, Big Lottery to have a bird box project running from Sept to Spring. Gayle will be co-ordinating.

### Date and time of next meeting

Tuesday 30th September 08

**7.00pm** at Hippings Vale Community Centre

**PLEASE NOTE THE TIME AND CHANGE OF VENUE!**