

Friends of Rhyddings Park

Minutes of the meeting held on 26th Feb 08

Pets Corner – we now have two goats in pets corner. The vet has visited and they are ok. Advice has been given about how to care for them.

Gayle to ask Accrington Observer if they'll run a competition to name the goats. Send a letter and some flyers to local schools as well.

One of the hens has been to the vets – eye problems – Parks department have kindly offered to pay the vets bill. All is now well and problems have been treated.

HLF bid – the parks department are in the process of finalising the bid and it should be submitted by the end of the month. We will find out in August if we have been successful. This will be followed by another round of consultation to finalise details.

Music event

It was agreed that the event on the 15th of June would be called Orchestral Manoeuvres in the Park. It would run from 3pm to 7pm. Albert will ask Rotarians to see if they'll help with stewarding. Peter Britcliffe offered to find volunteers who will run a tuck shop. Litter picking – it was suggested that the council might be able to support us on this. Gayle to start booking bands and organising a poster. Bowlers have bought some bowling balls for young people and will run an event side by side on the 15th to get young people bowling. Stage and toilets have been booked, forms to be submitted to HBC this week.

CCTV

Due to be in place by April.

Some trees will need to be cut back.

Policing issues – someone has been hanging around the park in a suspicious manner. Neil has spoken to PC Ricky Gallacher about it and the police will walk around more often to check. It has been noted that there is graffiti on the park wall on Fielding Lane – opposite the old Vicarage. This is to be reported.

AOB – Breathing Places funding application for bird box project. We should hear in June.

Date and time of next meeting

It was agreed that we should book the next three meetings in advance so that we could ensure every one had the dates in their diaries.

Thursday 10th April
Wednesday 14th May
Tuesday 10th June

7pm at Hippines Vale community centre on Harvey Street.