

# **KEMPSTON RURAL PLAYSPLACE**

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 2<sup>ND</sup> JUNE 2003

## **CROSS KEYS PUBLIC HOUSE**

PRESENT: Debbie James, Darren Pritchett, Jon Shilling, Frances White, Maria Robinson, Pet Longhorn, Martin Fuller, Phillippa Stanbridge, Hilary and Zoë Turewicz.

APOLOGIES: Ronnie and Millie Barclay, Andy Lowe.

VISITOR: Alice Burns.

Meeting Start at: 8.10pm

### **ALICE BURNS**

Alice Burns is a Social Inclusion Officer from Bedfordshire Rural Communities Charity based at Cardington and was introduced to the Playspace scheme from Dave Hawkey, the Local Beat Police Officer. Her aim is to assist Rural communities in any way that she can by offering advice and support, in particular to our scheme assisting us to identify sources of funding that we can apply for, she has many contacts within organisations that can assist us with a vast range help of from any manual labour that may be required, to our applications for funding i.e. preparation of our "paper presentation" (see "Fundraising"), wording for letters that need to be prepared to go with the presentation/ applications etc. She offered to arrange a meeting with herself and colleagues, which Jon Shilling will attend to gain information and advice to our presentation.

ACTION: Jon Shilling

The minutes of the meeting held on 01.05.2003 were agreed.

### **TREASURY REPORT**

The Bank Balance stands at £1278.95.

Not included in this balance is (1) £1000.00 from the Bedfordshire Police Partnership Trust and (2) £500.00 from the suspended Wootton Youth Group (see "Fundraising").

It is estimated to be added to that total is approximately £700.00 raised from the sponsored walk.

**ALL SPONSER MONEY TO FRANCES OR HILARY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE PLEASE.**

Hilary said that on the day of the sponsored walk, "Welsh Tim" from the pub gave £5.00 but who he sponsored we don't know! If Tim sponsored you Hilary has the cash so you can cross him off your list!

## **MAINTENANCE DAY**

**SUNDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2003**

**10.00 @ THE PLAYSPLACE**

In order for the Railway sleepers to be fitted under the new gate for access. Please bring spaces, rakes and anything else you consider useful. Once fitted it was suggested that we cover the sleepers with wire, as they get slippery when wet.

**ACTION:** As many as possible to attend.

## **GRASS CUTTING**

Angela has cut the grass a couple of times in May and has agreed to continue.

**ACTION:** Debbie James to contact Angela regarding payment.

## **GRASS SEED**

Darren said that the areas that were dug now required to be seeded. This was agreed.

**ACTON:** Darren Pritchett to measure area required to be seeded and advise on quantity to be brought.

## **PADLOCK**

Tanya has received the new padlock for the gate (the one fitted has been borrowed from Darren). Keys to be distributed to Angela and one to be held at the Cross Keys.

**ACTION:** Debbie James to contact Tanya regarding the padlock and to confirm that the railway sleepers have been ordered and where they will be delivered.

## **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

Due to there not being enough nominations for Parish Councillors as yet, no date has been published as to when the next meeting will take place but we will be notified when arranged.

## **CHILD SURVEY**

This is still to be arranged with the Head of Kempston Rural Lower School. Alice Burns stated that she would be interested in attending that meeting with us.

**ACTION:** Tanya Collins and Debbie James

## **FUNDRAISING**

Family Photographer

**ACTION:** Bev Rinvenuto to provide details.

Theatre Trips

**ACTION:** Debbie James to provide details.

## **SUMMER SPORTS DAY**

**SATURDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2003  
4.00PM**

**Volunteers are required to help organise games / events at the Playspace and at the Pub.**

Please contact Debbie if you can help.

## **DRIVEWAY SALE**

**SUNDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2003  
11.00AM**

**Volunteers are required to help with the organisation of this - advertising / tea/cake stall / raffle etc.**

Please contact Debbie if you can help.

## **PLAN AND QUOTE FROM PLAYDALE**

Following the discussion held with John Sandeman from "Playdale" they have now provided a first draft of "Our Playspace".

Please note this is only a draft and can change - Playdale have included in the plan a seating area with an umbrella - this is where ideally the Youth shelter will be situated, but Playdale do not provide Youth Shelters so as the money becomes available suppliers of Youth Shelters will have to be found.

It is on the wall at the Pub so please pop in and have a look.  
Playdale also provided a quote in the region of £30,000.  
This was for them to provide all the equipment, surfacing and preparation of the area.

We can decide to do it all ourselves, or we can pick and choose which bits we want to do, for example digging out the ground, Matt Lawson has offered use of his diggers etc and John Sandeman did state that it was possible that we may be able to obtain the "soft pore" tarmac at cheaper cost than their quote. It was decided that wherever the equipment was brought from, that company should install the equipment therefore not creating any issues should any of the equipment be faulty or require repair through installation.

**ACTION:** Maria Robinson to find sources of "Soft Pore" Tarmac.

## **STAGES**

It was agreed with our current level of Fundraising that we should aim to install the Football / Basketball pitch first.

**ACTION:** Debbie James to contact Playdale for a breakdown for cost for this item.

It was then agreed that a seat and a bin would be the next items, with the Youth shelter following, then the "Twister" piece and another seat.

This plan is subject to change and discussions will be ongoing.

**ACTION:** Debbie James to contact Jo Epps - Wootton Youth Group - to establish if the £500 initially offered is still available now we have a piece of equipment that it can be allocated to.

## **PRESENTATION**

Jon Shilling has prepared a "Paper Presentation" to be submitted with applications and letters asking for financial assistance. It will be sent via e-mail with some hard copies at the Pub. Please look out for this and feel free to make any suggestions that you can - GOOD or BAD!

**ACTION:** ALL

## **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**A.G.M.**

**THURSDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2003**

**8.00PM**

**CROSS KEYS PUBLIC HOUSE**

In order to advertise this meeting it was agreed that leaflets would be distributed to Wood End Road and Tithe Road. Notices would then be put up in the Parish Council Boards to include the Agenda.

**ACTION:** Debbie James, Tanya Collins and Hilary Turewicz to prepare yearly reports.

Debbie James to prepare leaflets and notices and with Phillippa Stanbrige distribute them.

**PLEASE SHOW YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT BY ATTENDING THIS MEETING.**

### **ANY OTHER BUISNESS**

Fundraising idea - Auction of Promises.

Meeting closed at 9.30pm.

**LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ON THE 8<sup>TH</sup> JUNE FOR THE RAILWAY SLEEPERS AND OR AT THE AGM 10<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2003**

