

FRIENDS OF MARKFIELD PARK

**FOMP Meeting Thursday 14th May 2015
6.00pm- 7.00pm at the Markfield Cafe**

Present: Ken Brereton, (Chair and M Beam Museum trustee), Dr Fred Clark (M Beam Museum trustee and FOMP), Maggie Hulson (Gladesmore Community School teacher & local resident), Nadine Fraser (local resident), Sylvia Hurtado (local resident and Markfield Project rep), Abed (Markfield Café), Charles Mugenyi (resident), Bob Lindsay Smith (Walking Group), Martin Hall (Open Spaces Programme Officer) Haringey Council

Distribution list: Simon Farrow (Head of Direct Services - acting), Frank Hunt (East Area Park Manager), Steve Hall (Parks Neighbourhood Area Officer), Tim Pyall (Infrastructure Manager), Clif Osborne [c.osborne@btcv.org.uk], (GRAG), Pauline Syddell, Pauline.Syddell@met.pnn.police.uk, Sarah Miller (Markfield Project Manager)

Apologies - PC Alan Square, Steve Hall (Parks Operations), Pauline Syddell (Met Police), Deborah Cawkwell (FOMP Webmaster), Clif Osborne

Agree minutes

Last minutes of February 2015 - accepted

Future Events

Markfield Beam Engine steaming Monday 25th May with Kino van showing old film of local events.

Reports/ Updates

Bowls Club – Lease in process of being terminated in favour of Gladesmore School.

Football – club use consistent with good use plus evening training in the lighter evenings

Markfield Project – New sign outstanding - MH to get

**The Markfield Road Gate
is locked shut
Monday to Friday 7pm
Saturday and Sunday 6pm**

Added later: Advised by Parks Dept that an Emergency contact number is needed - MP contacted

TCV - Below are details of our visits to Markfield Park in the last financial year. We have largely worked around the settling tank area's on vegetation management to try and keep on top of the weed growth in the beds and on the paths. We shall be continuing this work throughout the coming year.

total vols	worktype	details
6	Vegetation/Scrub Clearance	Bramble clearance.
1	Vegetation/Scrub Clearance	Scrub clearance, unwanted sapling clearance and litter picking
5	Vegetation/Scrub Clearance	Vegetation clearance in settling tank area
4	Vegetation/Scrub Clearance	Dug up bramble and cut dock on the mound
10	Vegetation/Scrub Clearance	Dug out bramble and pulled goosegrass from the wildlife garden and pulled the bank behind the garden
Total:26		

Markfield Café

- damaged lamppost replaced but unit is not painted Black MH to enquire
- Increase in Summer activities plan proceeding
- new Pergola in position, Hydrangeas in pots awaiting installation

Police – PC Chris West gave report: several minor incidents, in last 3 months, increase in patrols on lighter evenings in place.

Museum – Funding application for more visitor friendly place on-going, school visits a target group. Last 2 steaming days attracted 700 visitors. On-going informal discussions with Lottery Fund. Some support may come on technical side from local Engineering group.

Gladesmore School – to take over lease of Markfield Pavilion and Bowls area

Other - none

AOB –

- Markfield - Web page - Could a link to Markfield Facebook operated by Abed be added to markfield web page
- Sylvia to put up Markfield Project notices in notice boards. Bob (walking) to send Sylvia a copy of Walking poster.
- AGM due – who has member list? Contact Ken please
- Markfield Project Picnic in the Park – 17th July
- Railway detritus build up MH contacted Railways on 0345 7114141. Ref 150519-000090
- 'Fundraising' agreed to be removed from Agenda
- Hole in grass area found MH contacted Parks Ops to fill

Matters outstanding

FoMP Constitution – needs some updating Ken to send copies for consideration
– **Ken distributed copies for comment**

MUGA lighting – only 40% working, MH informed group this was on a borough wide of things to do when funding available.

CTV - owed one waste bin for Herbal Garden.

Pavilion – social area floor still lifting. Needs to be sealed and replaced with ceramic tiles to simila to prevent damp rising

Water Feature – an idea was presented by local resident and Haringey Cycling Campaign member Graham Freer with support for the Markfield Park Cafe Owner (Abed).

Skatepark (Steve Barrow) has aspirations to improve their site, but work to date halted pending resolving engineering issues, resources. Parks Service seeking ways to assist

Next meeting & AGM – Thursday 10th September 2015 at the Markfield Cafe (Abed to confirm) - 6.00 – 7.30pm