

Minutes of Methven Parks Committee – 7 September 2009

Present

Roy Hoey	Nicola Macgregor	Jim Ogg	Gina Boyle
Ian Blance	Shaw Murrie	Rory Macgregor	Sandra Baldock
David Wilkie	Alison Bennett	Dave Bennett	

Apologies

Lisa Hoey	Elaine Boyd	Brian Donaldson	Brian McCreary
Maureen Paton	Kate Blanche	David Smythe	Debbie Frame
Shirley Wilson			

Meeting was opened by Chairman Rory MacGregor and thanks were given for those in attendance.

Everyone was given a copy of the Agenda for meeting.

1. Previous Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nikki working on annual accounts.• There is already one sign against dog waste. More signs to be completed.• Shaw Murrie still working on picnic bench• Still waiting to hear about the bat box created. Dave Bennett wanting to know if the box can be made from other types of wood. Dave to chase the £50 grant and to liaise to see if the prototype is ok.• New Den Steps – Rory to check with Brian Donaldson.• The Pavilion kitchen is ‘out of bounds’ for all but the Parks committee• Committee members with keys – Jake, Tom, Shaw, Jim and Rory
2. Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tennis Club – No response to letter from Alan Smith. Agreed unanimously that a much stronger approach must be taken to gain a response.• David Wilkie suggested that we send a letter asking for a considerable amount of money for an annual rent. The Committee agreed. Roy to send this letter.• Funding Committee – Responsibilities now shared between David Wilkie and Alison Bennett. Too late for funding this financial year.
3. Den	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New bench from the Prison. This is currently awaiting construction. Team will be required to set this up. Will have to be concreted into the ground.• A big thank you to all those that worked in the den, especially to Ian

	Blance for his work in honouring the agreement made with the forestry commission.
4. Sports Fields	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tennis club floodlights left on all night. Shaw advised the club chairman to speak to the parks committee about getting electrician. Possibly a faulty timer. • Definitely need new card meter in the tennis club. This would ensure that the club are paying for their share of the electricity thereby reducing the Committee electric bill. • A short term priority (over the next 3 years) is to build a simple upgrade to the pavilion. Creating a higher roof space would add a room upstairs that could be used as a youth club. Jim Ogg got a simple plan drawn up and this was shown at the meeting.
5. Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas & Donkey Derby.
6. AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal Posts moved to the Scout Hut. The caretaker at Methven Primary mentioned that the scouts could keep them as they were too big for the school. The school have ordered a new set. • The Basketball hoop in the Methven Arms carpark is being revamped. • There are lots of buildings in the village that require upgrading, ie the church hall, pavilion. Would it not be better to get all the committee's in the village together, pool are resources and work on creating a hall that can be used by all in Methven?
7. Next Meeting	Friday 16 October 2009 - AGM