

## Minutes of Methven Parks Committee – 19 April 2010

### Present

Ian Blance	Maureen Paton	Jim Ogg	Brian Donaldson
Rory Macgregor	Lauren Macgregor	Nikki Macgregor	Neill Blance
Debbie Frame	Maureen Patton	Liz Callegari	Margaret Graham
Alan Smith			

### Apologies

Sandra Baldock	Shaw Murrie	David Bennett	Andy Hutchinson
Shirley Wilson	Kate Blanche	Yvonne Mitchell	Andy Dunlop
David Smythe	Alison Howarth		

The meeting was opened by Chairman Rory Macgregor and very sincere thanks were given for those in attendance.

<b>1. Previous Minutes</b>	<i>Previous minutes of 29<sup>th</sup> March 2010 were proposed by Ian Blance and seconded by Jim Ogg.</i>	
<b>2. Funding</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two applications for funding have been sent off by RM</li> <li>NTR from Funding Team</li> </ul>	Action RM
<b>3. Sports Fields</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bruce Spalding has kindly agreed to get quotes for fencing equipment to fence off the main road hedging. Rory to secure a second quote.</li> <li>Dave Bennett and Brian Donaldson met with Alan Smith and Margaret Graham of the Tennis Club. Brian reported that the meeting was cordial, and a full and frank discussion was had. An agreement between MPC and Methven Tennis Club will be drawn up by the MPC on the basis of these discussions. Alan Smith continued by giving a brief outline of Tennis Club plans that include some considerable community involvement.</li> <li>Sadly there has been another break-in at the pavilion together with some vandalism to the kids play area and subsequently reported to the Police for investigation. Rory will follow up with the Police.</li> <li>Rory meeting up with Perthshire Advertiser to initiate a campaign against dog fouling.</li> <li>P&amp;K Council have dug up part of the shrubbery patch and reseeded with grass. Rory has asked for a meet with them to fix. Also need to deal with the wetpore rubber under playing equipment.</li> <li>Agreement that we have to stop the kids using the Tennis Club perimeter net as a kicking board, and help take down the trees.</li> <li>We have been kindly offered some surplus picnic benches by the SPS at Friarton. Another letter of thanks will be sent to them for their kind help.</li> </ul>	Action BS/RM  REPORT  Action RM  Action RM  Action RM  Action ALL  Action RM

4. Den	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ian Blance reported that people are still throwing garden waste onto our 'to burn' pile which is creating extra work. There will be a working party in the Den on Sunday (25<sup>th</sup> April) morning to clear more Ivy and remove the waste.</li> <li>• Thanks to Andy Hutchinson gained agreement from the Church Committee that the Glebe Rental will remain as it is.</li> </ul>	Action IB  REPORT
5. Youth Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alison Howarth reported that she was waiting for information from Philip Paterson regarding child protection. Alison will follow up and arrange another meeting of the youth group.</li> </ul>	Action AH
6. GALA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Letters are being prepared and sent out to our many friends and donors.</li> <li>• Please can members remember to contact Rory if they would be willing to carry out specific tasks at the Gala, or if they have any good ideas for more fundraising activities. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Football trophy – Rory</li> <li>○ Blue Sky - Yvonne</li> <li>○ Dogs - Maureen</li> <li>○ Birds - Nikki</li> <li>○ Pipe Band - Nikki</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Agreed to the stall fee to be left as a flat fee.</li> <li>• We need a list of stallholders, and for security reasons no other stalls will be permitted on the day.</li> <li>• The theme for the gala will be the circus.</li> </ul>	Action RM
7. AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We are still in desperate need of a secretary. Please contact Rory ASAP.</li> <li>• Members of the MPC who have been asked to join the Steering Committee for the proposed new community centre facility will meet 22 April, 7:30pm in the small lounge at the Methven Arms Hotel.</li> </ul>	
8. Next Meeting	<p><b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2010, 7.30pm – Lounge Bar Methven Arms Hotel</b></p> <p>Rory expressed thanks to the hotel for their continued support for our committee.</p>	