

## Minutes of Methven Parks Committee – 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2011

### Present

Brian Donaldson	Joanne Donaldson	Yvonne Mitchell	Maureen Patton
Ian Blance	Shaw Murrie	Alan Lewis	David Smythe
Jim Morrison	Brian McCleary		

### Apologies

Andy Dunlop	Alan Elder	Debbie Frame	Niall Blance
Rory Macgregor	Nikki Macgregor	Bob Chisholm	Alan Smith
Margaret Graham	Sandra Baldock	Tom Latto	Joe McCrae
Wilma Lumsden	Liz Callegari	Shirley Wilson	Bruce Spalding
Donna Spalding			

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

<b>2. Previous Minutes</b>	<i>Previous minutes of were proposed by Yvonne Mitchell and seconded by Joanne Donaldson</i>	
<b>3. Funding</b>	Pavillion – a steering committee has been set up for the single pavilion. Brian Donaldson and Hamish Young met 3 weeks ago with council. They have the forms to complete and they seem straight forward. They do not see a problem in getting funding for the feasibility study from the council based group that only deals with funds for feasibility studies. He thinks we are in for a really good chance to acquire funding which costs around £10-15k. The feasibility study should get feedback from all the village.	
<b>4. The Den</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Cubs are going to help with a clean up on Saturday between 2-4 with James McDougall. He asked if it was okay to plant trees and BD said not a problem as long as native. He has also said he would help with anything we needed.</li> <li>• Ludi Howe and a friend have kindly planted 1000 bulbs in the Den.</li> <li>• Have received a notice form S&amp;S Electric regarding knocking out some trees to keep clear of wires</li> <li>• There is still a tree over down at Cairds and it was agreed that this would be moved.</li> </ul>	
<b>5. Playing Fields</b>	<p>RM &amp; BD met with Paul Summers last year and the following can be updated</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Matting repaired</li> <li>• They have put up temporary fence</li> <li>• Still no luck in finding out who takes responsibility to the area at the entrance to the field but the council have agreed this time to repair it then moving forward it is going to be up to the local council and the community to to maintain it.</li> </ul> <p>Bruce Spalding has 100 hawthornes to plant along the hedging when he gets a chance he will plant them and Shaw intimated he would be available to help.</p>	

	<p>It was noted that Haddens are using the parks car park and was agreed that Yvonne would issue a letter to them stating that we don't mind them using the car park to be out of the way of the building site but that in return we would appreciate that if they could spare some tar and help with some repair work in that area to solve our surfacing issues</p> <p>Ian Blance has sorted the heater in the pavilion and is to be compensated for parts paid by him. Have had a few burst pipes</p>	YM
<b>6. Gala</b>	<p>Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not managed to get a pipe band yet. Brian Elrick to come back still JD going to chase</li> <li>• Brian McCleary has suggested there is someone in the bank that works with Nikki that could be a possible alternative</li> <li>• JD received quotes from Raptor world – coming in at £250.00 for 4 birds. The Alyth man still to get back with quote</li> <li>• Vintage tractors have been confirmed for the main ring</li> <li>• Lawsons Garage has also been confirmed for the ring and will do a talk</li> <li>• Bucking Bronco has been confirmed to come down again – need to review the pricing ?</li> <li>• Marquee – the Scouts association said we could have theirs at full price £1700.00 we declined . Got a quote from a company in Fife who can provide 3 piece Marquee for £500.00 and price includes putting up and taking down. It was agreed to go ahead .</li> <li>• Will need to look at putting lighting up with it.</li> <li>• PA System – BD trying to pull in a favour for a system for talk not music - volume wont be an issue. BD will update</li> <li>• Brian will be able to do bar and deal with licencing side again</li> <li>• Music – will need some bands happy to come and play</li> <li>• JD informed that the stall applications forms are out but to let her know if anyone else is interested in one.</li> <li>• No Railway this year as has other commitments</li> <li>• Shop – they want to donate the tea and coffee again this year</li> <li>• BBQ need to get a rota as may go on to the evening</li> </ul>	
<b>7. AOB</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dog Poo – RM spoke with t he dog warden and has been informed that there is only one warden now, she said she can give signs but the community will have to try stop the poo problem. It was suggested that we try and get the school children involved by getting them to design a combat dog poo poster and that this could be judged at the Gala and the best one put up round the village. The council will still empty existing bins – but no more will be provided for</li> <li>• Beer festival - CAMRA has indicated that they want to get involved this year. Suggestion for date is Saturdsy 19<sup>th</sup> November 2011.</li> <li>• Alan Lewis and one other have agreed to go to library to attend the selling beer responsibly seminar.</li> <li>• History of Methven Booklet – Jim Morrison came to the meeting with booklet on the history of Methven looking for a publisher with a charity number to sell these and suggested they could be sold at the Gala to raise funds The committee will look at it to see what could be done. Shaw proposes and Alan seconds it.</li> </ul>	
<b>9. Next Meeting</b>	<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2011 – Venue to be notified nearer time</b>	

