

Golcar Lily Environment Group

Minutes of the meeting held on 7th February 2017

Present:- Matt, Sue, Marion Stevens, Stephanie, Susan, Matt, Maureen Janey Kemp, Ian Stead, Sara Campbell, Emma Harrison, Lucy Montague

Apologies:- Apologies were received from Nor and Stewart

Minutes and matters arising: The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed to be a true record.

University Project with schools

Lucy explained the work she is doing with 2 of her students, Golcar JIN and St John's primary to come up with ideas for the recreation ground (Two Furrows). Their work will be on display at Golcar Lily day and the more responses we can obtain from the community the more the local authority is likely to respond.

A further meeting to discuss the challenges of the space, how the wider community should be involved and the process for Golcar Lily day was arranged. Ideas suggested were:

- Draw up something to take into the library, the museum and the Co-op
- University students to talk to environment group to gain ideas
- Involve Examiner
- Ensure councillors see results of the consultations and use their influence with the council
- Ask opinions on Golcar Lily day
- Involve Scouts and Guides
- Use Facebook
- Have an information table at Town End to tie in with any events

Lucy also handed out information re funding opportunities and said that students may be able to help with proposals for funding bids.

Marion had attended a funding conference run by the local authority. At the moment there are very few funding opportunities for environmental projects but we are now on the list and will be notified of anything new.

There is a possible project in Slaithwaite. **Action point:** Emma Harrison will try to find out more about this.

Action point:- Lucy to ask students if they can set up a Pinterest group. If not Matt will have a look at how to do this.

Pat Swallow's Memorial Garden

A further clearing session would probably take place on 12th March. There should then be an opportunity to appraise the space and decide what construction and planting is required.

Adopt a Ginnel pack

Andrew Marchington had provided a possible booklet but it was felt that changes needed to be made and there was some discussion regarding corporate identity guidelines for the Golcar Lily logo which would ensure consistency of colours, fonts etc. Stephanie will try to get some guidelines which Matt can discuss with Sue Starr. There was some urgency to complete this task.

Sarah is drawing up a spreadsheet which will contain details of ginnels adopted and by whom. It was felt that at the moment we should only concentrate on the ginnels on the trail.

Finance

It was confirmed that there is £315.00 in the bank and £51.65 in cash.

Plants

The issue of plant buying for the Pat Swallow memorial ground was raised. This needs to take place as soon as possible for spring bulbs which are sold in bulk in the green around now.

Stephanie suggested that a notice went out to ask people in the community who are splitting their perennials and bulbs to let us know so that we can collect them.

Betty has wellington boots to put flowers in which need planting up now. They have been put on the railings by the phone box opposite the church. It was suggested that there is a competition to plant up the wellingtons.

Date and time of next meeting

Wednesday 8th March at 7.30 – Sue Whitwam's house