Castlefields Canal and River Park Association (CARP)

Minutes if the Committee meeting held On 17th May 2018 at 7pm in the Council Chamber of the Town Hall

Those Present	Denis Robinson	DR	Chair
	Martin Boswell	MB	Trustee
	Tim Preece	TP	Treasurer
	Sue Court	SC	Secretary
	Richard Mason	RM	W&BCT Rep
	Debbie Smith	DS	Trustee

- 1. **Apologies:** Dee Robinson, Julie Wakeham, Mo Norrington and Martin Court.
- 2. Minutes of the Last meeting: held on 15th March 2018, agreed
- 3. **Matters Arising:** None.
- 4. **Treasurer's Report:** Balance is £1307.05. MB to make an application to CTC for funds to include hire of the Town Hall for committee meetings.

5. Correspondence:

<u>Wiltshire Wildlife Trust</u> are intending to hold an event in the park for school children on 31 May 2018, 10am-12pm. If any members of CARP would like to attend they would be welcome.

<u>Calne Clean Up Crew</u> have tidied the river downstream from the park. SC to offer the use of CARP tools and equipment.

<u>Building Community Connections</u> to be held by CTC on 6th June 2018, 10am-4pm. Karen Boswell and SC to attend.

6. **Community Involvement**:

Britain in Bloom:

- CTC have created a window sticker "We Support Calne in Bloom" for display around town. Now seeking quotes for printing.
- CTC continuing to design an updated website.
- CARP It's your Neighbourhood Mayor Ansell thought that there
 might be some funds available to help with painting the boat in the
 park.
- Plants for the Well Dressing will be delivered at the end of May. DR
 please let DS know when they have arrived Britain in Bloom
 judging day is on 10 July 2018 so the planted pallets will need to
 be transferred to the park before judging takes place. DS to liaise
 with Karen Boswell regarding pots for the willow arch.

Safety Forum:

- Noise levels from the Skate park have increased recently. There
 have been discussions re empowering residents near the park to
 be able to deal with the noise themselves a type of
 Neighbourhood Watch. There is also the possibility of Street
 Pastors being introduced to speak with the park users.
- There has been a spate of thefts from sheds.

Bunny Hunt:

- £89.16 profit. Thank you to Karen Boswell for organising, to Dee Robinson for obtaining the Easter Eggs and to all those who helped on the day. Will need to discuss before next years event whether we increase the price per child.
- 7. **Mound Walls**: Planning Application has been submitted, 18/04034/FUL and should be decided by 16th June 2018. CTC to train grounds staff in lime putty skills.
- 8. **Data Protection Legislation:** Martin Court and SC have worked on a Privacy Policy for CARP which was presented and approved. TP will put the policy on CARP website.
- 9. **Marden River Survey:** BART have suggested that a full survey of the river is required which will cost in the region of £3500. Tom Wilkes has made an application to Ninevah for funding. Once funding is in place a survey can be carried out and then a presentation of its findings and proposals given to the wider community of Calne.
- 10. **Boat Painting:** DR proposed that a week is set in August to repaint the boat. Build Base have supplied CARP with 2.5 litres of Hammerite. Will need volunteers to help and supply power tools. RM to arrange Herris Fencing.

11. **AOB**:

- Mo Norrington has received positive feedback about Castlefields from people who she spoke to in the park.
- CTC plan a commemoration for 400 servicemen who died in the war by planting 400 trees. However finding a suitable space is proving difficult. One suggestion is to plant Rowan trees along the A3102 Bypass but Wiltshire Council has rejected this due to maintenance costs, a petition has been proposed regarding the rejection. Although we liked the idea of the rowan trees, the committee did not feel that it is within CARP's remit as a charity to petition Wiltshire Council regarding this issue.
- MB wished to confirm that the wood-chippings for the paths in the park were gratefully received and that they would be in the future.
- Thank you to Mr Boswell Senior for generous donation of a large rotavator.

- 12. **Next Working Party**: 20th May, 17th June and 8th July with extra WP's before Britain in Bloom judging.
- 13. **Date of Next Meeting:** 19th July 2018 AGM