

Friends of Poulton & Pulford Community Park

**Chair's report Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

Working capital (current bank balance) – treasurer confirmed this as being £1366.58

We are reliant upon one local to do safety checks. Requirement for an annual inspection (Alan Dymond of Morral) NEXT DUE DECEMBER. Loose bolts on seesaw/rocker have now been tightened and hex keys obtained.

Fortnightly Boules sessions have started again in early July with good attendances.

The missing defibrillator sign is now back in the park notice board.

King Charles III coronation event was a resounding success. Thanks to the Friends committee and helpers for their hard work. Positive feedback received from several attendees – **NB we need to claim £386 personal expenses plus £50 village hall rent from the PC.**

Intention to add play graphics to paths. One quote has already been requested. Nick to contact Dan Crabtree (The School Playground Specialists) to procure a further quote. It is proposed that the residual s106 monies be used to fund the costs. Distance markers & Stop sign by gate (stencils) ideally these will be done by the company tendering for the children's play activity

Dog fouling has increased recently, to be regularly monitored. David & Jean Ewins have added several information signs re risks of toxocariasis

Glenys has raised several remedial actions re planting and tree/hedge maintenance - pending

Ryan O'Rourke (CWaC) was contacted again by Nick re fingerpost sign for main road and automatic email response received advising that he has now left the authority! Nick to follow up as will have to start process again by logging with CWaC Highways.

Minor vandalism noted being boules court rake damaged & some toxocariasis notices torn down also as seen by Nick on 24<sup>th</sup> July one picnic table now has minor graffiti

Intention to hold another charity fundraiser in late November or early December, beneficiary is Dementia UK – further information to follow.

Nick Franklin

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