

**Minutes of Friends of Spencer Park Management Committee
Monday 4th June 2018**

1. **Present:** Paul Smith (Chair), Karen Berry (Secretary), Pat Ryan, Tim Brooke, Jane Donovan, Liz Bayton, committee members) Scott Crowther (Albany Bowls)
2. **Apologies:** Carol Bayliss, John Plunkett, Zilpha Reed, Helen Elias, Anthony Godber, Helen Spence and Trevor Robinson (Ranger)
3. **Minutes** of the meeting on 30th April 2018 accepted as a true record. With corrections to 5. **Flat Green** (4th line matches (**not marches**) (9th line They hope to hold (**not will be**) events in the Albany Club to raise money)
4. **Matters arising:** PS will ask Andrew Walster to ensure we are told of any developments about the Bangladeshi monument.
Earlsdon Festival it went well questionnaires were filled in JD to ask Peter Elias if he can help with the analysis of them.
Design for mural – no work has yet taken place KB fault.
Any Other Business – PS has not yet contacted the City of Culture Trust.
5. **Plan for AGM** – to include Chairs report, Financial report, report from Albany Bowls club; Tennis, Future of the pavilion. Meet at the pavilion at 7.00pm for AGM at 7.30pm. KB asked when we needed to file for Charity Commission, TB to find out.
6. **Event- The Great Get Together** -Sunday24th June from 12- 5.00pm. We will have tables set up like last year, KB will do a bear hunt around the park, cakes and hot drinks available. Set up from 11.00am JD to ask AG about the rules for Flat green bowls he did last year as they are not in the pavilion. KB to ask Trevor to deliver the football goals.SC said Albany Club could coach for an hour.
7. **Street Sale** – 17th June ZR has offered to have a table for us in her garden, we will put the donations box there and the books, if anyone has anything else to get them to ZR's on Saturday 16th June. Help needed for the Sunday. LB offered for Sunday.
8. **Flat Green:** The fence has been damaged twice. PS has produced a leaflet for the sessions he has arranged over the summer. He has contacted more organisations. The grass is looking good. SC reported that the Albany have two membership types one for competitions and one for social members KB had been asked about using the flat green, on a social way, the people could join the Albany Social membership or the Friends could set up a social bowls club. The Albany have a league team who play on a Tuesday afternoon. The Albany have set up a fund-raising committee to look at ways to raise finance for the flat green.
9. **Finances:** PR will produce a summary account for AGM, the accounts have been looked at by Colin Scott. Our income last year was £8,734 and our expenditure was £8,763. We are keeping the tennis income for tennis, we make about £200 on each event we do which covers our runnings costs. We anticipate about £580 in tax rebate. PR will produce a Revenue Budget with a wish list for next year.
10. **Tennis:** 67 families have enrolled. Tennis coaching - we had 13 children for the first session and 9 children for the second one. The next dates are 16th June (KB needs someone to close up on this day) and 7th July. We will be running another Great British Tennis event on Saturday 21st July.
11. **Pavilion subcommittee:** Albany Bowls are interested in being on the committee. PS to write up notes from the last meeting. The USP of the pavilion would be a café in the park. JD had been to look at the community café in Welfare Miners Park in Bedworth, its turnover is £100,000 per annum but there is no idea of its profit. It serves local food in a community café. The target for opening the new pavilion is April 1st 2021. PR and JD are doing the business plan it would be good if we could get a pop up café running sometimes over the summer. JD to find out how much it would cost to get the glass screen removed. KB to check with Tim Fox and to chase the removal of the freezer. JD

has got the paint there will be some over to paint the toilets ad the back of the pavilion by Albany Bowls Club.

12. **Gardening:** Saturday morning 7th July and Thursday evenings 7th and 21st June
13. **AOB:** Albany Bowls and a Brew event on Friday mornings is very successful and could be used in support of funding bids for the pavilion. They are get 10 people each week. This year they have 146 league matches 73 of them in the park. HS had sent information about a meeting on the future of Earlsdon Library to be held on Tuesday 26th June from 5.30 – 6.30pm in the library.
14. **Next meetings:** July 2nd.

Karen Berry 7/6/2018