

**TRUSTEES MEETING**

**11.30 a.m. on Wednesday 12th August 2020**

**via ZOOM**

**M I N U T E S**

**1. Present**: Barbara Williams (Chair and minutes), Helen Haran, Caroline James, Margaret Laraway.

**2. Apologies:** Nick Worboys, Sue Welch, Ruth Barker, Stuart Lowerson, Mo Forster.

**3. Reason for holding meeting digitally:** Meeting restrictions due to Covid 19.

**4. Minutes of meeting held on 15.07.20**: Accepted as a true record. Updates:

* Balance remaining (approx. £900) of Greenside Millennium Green fund now transferred to Our Villages bank account.
* Bradley Fell seat – terms agreed with Gateshead Council for re-siting of seat to Millennium Green, cost - £850. Date awaited.
* Litter Picking – update to be requested from Stuart re response to request for volunteers

**5. Finance report:** – Circulated separately.

**6. Fundraising:** Applications in progress:

* Co-op fund for accessible play equipment for Crawcrook Park.
* Lottery for replacement for lost funding due to Covid 19.
* New applications – no others to be made at present.
* Response to potential donors - to be given when plan for park is clearer.

**7. Greenside Bowling Green:** (RB) No information available to the meeting therefore Ruth to be asked if she would be willing to speak to Clare Marchetti about the proposal.

**8. Fence, corner of Old Main St and Horsley Ave:** It was agreed that Our Villages will fund the repair of this fence at a cost of £150, on the grounds that it protects a planted area which is cared for by Our Villages volunteers.

**9. Crawcrook Park meeting date**: It was agreed that a single item meeting be held to discuss the plan for Crawcrook Park. Provisional date 03.09.20 at 11.30. HH to ask Kevin Hills, Gateshead Council if he can join the meeting.

**10**. **A.O.B.:**

* Christmas Lights – discussed impact of loss of funding. BW to ask Julie Gavin if she would be willing to set up Go Funding pages – one each for Crawcrook and Greenside.
* Volunteer Network – HH raised the possibility of Our Villages co-ordinating a volunteer network to undertake small tasks for local residents e.g. gardening. To be a future agenda item.

**11. Date and time of next meetings:**

* Park meeting 03.09.20, 11.30 (TBC)
* Trustee Meeting – 23.09.20, 11.30.