

SANDBACH PARK STEERING GROUP

DATE: 5th September 2016

DURATION: 10.00am to 12pm

VENUE: SANDBACH ENTERPRISE CENTRE

ATTENDANCE: Dot Flint – Sandbach Partnership Chair (DF), Mike Benson – Friends Sandbach Park (MB) Sue Brereton – Sandbach Partnership (SB), George Broughton – CEC Parks Manager (GB), Gill Merry – Friends of Elworth Park (GM), Sam Corcoran – Sandbach Town Council (SC)

Item	Agenda Item/Discussion	Action/Comment
1.	Apologies	Di Owen,
2.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting Matters Arising	Accepted
3	Park Annual Walk About - 23rd May 2016 Please find notes attached.	
4	Path Project DF reported that the paths project has been deferred whilst further funding is being sought, as the redevelopment of the path from the MUGA to the pond is a bigger project than the group envisaged.	SB will check what date the S106 monies has to be spent by.
5.	Wildlife Area A designated area for wildlife has been chosen in the park, natural planting of the area is now being researched.	
6.	Summer Activities – Play Day Sandbach Partnership commissioned Everybody's Leisure to deliver activities in Sandbach Park every Wednesday in August, 1pm till 3pm, a report is being drawn up, but the activities were extremely popular. Play Day which was on 3 rd August was a great success, it was well attended and plans are underway for next year's event. DF reported that the Partnership planned 2 activity sessions in the park for HANFA on 9 th & 16 th August 1pm till 3pm. Unfortunately, the group didn't attend, communication seems to have been the problem. The Tidy Town group have nominated Sandbach Park for the Les George Memorial award.	
7.	Section 106 monies MB reported that the decision notice for the development of the old haulage yard adjacent to the park had been issued. Plans for 14 houses on the site has been agreed, the Section 106 money attached to this development allocates the following to the park: - £1796.22 for Benches £3113 for a Swing set	

	The group agree to hold a site visit to the park prior to the next meeting to discuss the best area for the equipment.	
8.	<p>FOSP Update</p> <p>The group are held their summer open meeting in the park on 25th July, MB reported that it was a great success.</p> <p>The group have completed the work on the shrub bed by the Fire Station and the new plants have already started to bloom.</p> <p>The group are replacing the borders by the lower bowling green with 3 troughs and hope to get them in before the next round of planting.</p> <p>A planter will be installed at the Addlington Drive entrance, it will be a nice feature at that end of the park and will hold herbs for general use. The allotment society have agreed to maintain it.</p>	
9.	<p>A.O.B</p> <p>MB reported that the Tidy Town group have nominated Sandbach Park for the Les George Memorial award.</p> <p>The sign on the sensory garden has been pushed over, MB will report it to ANSA.</p> <p>SC asked when the goal posts will be reinstated, MB will chase up.</p> <p>SB agreed to ensure that a Baby change notice goes on the disabled toilets.</p> <p>It was agreed that the signage in and around the park needs improving an audit will be carried out.</p> <p>The possibility of keeping Bees in the park will be investigated, local Bee Keepers have agreed to be involved.</p>	
10.	Date of Next Meeting	Monday 7th November meet at the park 9.15am