



Stoke Goldington Playground

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Annual General Meeting

Held on Wednesday 2nd November, 2022 at 2 High Street, Stoke Goldington

Present

Elly Sapwell, Danielle Kipling, Maxime Marsh, Jo Bull, Julie-anne Newton

Apologies for Absence

Jenny Letts, Georgie Donaghy

Minutes of Previous AGM

Read and agreed to be a true and correct record

Chairman's Report

This year has been a bit more like normal, it has been lovely to see the playground being used fully by a range of ages.

After the last AGM I promised to investigate costs for items on our wish list. I approached Discovery Timber Play (suppliers of the basket swing and climbing frame) the prices I was given on 21st January were as follows (all are excluding VAT):

Clamberstack, Bonded Rubber Mulch & Install £12698.10

30m Zip Wire, Rubber Mats and Install £8295.00

Timber Trim Trail £5871.60

In February Sam Finningan very kindly volunteered to pressure wash the safety surfaces of the playground, removing all the slippery moss and algae. Our very grateful thanks go to Sam for doing this.

In 8th May we all joined together fundraising for the playground at the Car Rally held on the playing field. Thank you to everyone that helped with the bottle tombola, sweet stall and ice cream stall, we raised an incredible amount in an afternoon's work!

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The playground committee participated in the Jubilee Flower Festival held by the Church, decorating the pulpit as a helter-skelter!

As part of the villages prize for The Best Kept Village the Parish Council have been given a tree. They are planning to plant this in the playground to provide shade, the preferred proposed site is where the horse chestnut tree used to be near the road. The Parish Council have also suggested that we could install a sail in the corner of the playground near the climbing frame to also provide shade.

The picnic benches have required some maintenance during the year, with Steve Porritt stepping in swiftly before the parish council got to them. Thanks Steve! Thank you also for the help with pruning back the brambles and bushes in the playground, please continue to let us know of any jobs that you spot need doing so we can continue to keep our playground in tip top condition.

Eleanor Sapwell

Matters Arising from Chairman's Report

- DK suggested to keep on top of any playground maintenance maybe end of season checks could be carried out each quarter. To cover vegetation, safety surface checks and quality of paint on equipment. MM will carry the first one at the end of November/Autumn.
- ES to contact Discovery Timber Play to ask if there is anything we need to do to preserve the longevity of the climbing frame and basket swing.
- Our wish list for new equipment was discussed further and possible sightings. Our existing equipment is more suitable for the younger residents. If the children (and committee) were to have a dream piece of equipment it would be the zipline, just because it's what we would all like to have a go on! However, all the equipment suggested would meet the needs of our older children as well as the younger. The trim trail and clamberstack would probably be easier to obtain a grant for as it meets many educational and healthy If a zipline was installed it would need to be sited probably where the picnic tables are now, as it might be too noisy down the Leaside side and impact the trees/nature area at the far side of the playing field. A trim trail would be less noise and probably could be sited between the trees at the top end of brook side and not impact the residents of Leaside. The clamberstack is big and probably would need to go in the corner near to the basket swing (but outside fenced area). ES to approach the parish council to ask their thoughts re new



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equipment and if they would consider us installing any more if so where they would like it sitting. If there response is positive we will start investigating grants/fundraise.

The chairman's report was agreed by Danielle Kipling and seconded by Maxime Marsh

Treasurers Report

Income for the period 1st November 2021 to the 31st October, 2022 included £20.62 from Amazon Smile. This is money donated from AmazonSmile from your shopping, so thank you! If you haven't already signed up for it, please do, as they say every little helps! The link is <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1180507-0>. We also raised a fabulous £1294.00 at the Car Rally held at the playing field on 8th May.

A reminder as a registered charity we are meant to fundraise over £5000 a year. I haven't heard anything from Charities Commission but in the future may need to consider if we remain as a charity.

Our total income for the year therefore is £1314.62 and our total expenditure is £0, this leaves us with a current account balance as of 1st November, 2022 of £4333.81.

Eleanor Sapwell



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Income and Expenditure Account

For the year ended 1st November, 2022

Income

£

Amazon Smile	£20.62
Car Rally Fund Raising	£1294.00
Total Income	£1314.63

Expenditure

£0.00

Total Expenditure	£0.00
Net Profit For Year	£1314.63

Current Account Balance as of 1 st November 2022	<u>£4333.81</u>
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Matters Arising from Treasurers Report

- We hope to be able to fund raise at the May Car Rally again

The treasurer's report was agreed by Jo Bull and seconded by Danielle Kipling

Election of Trustees

Danielle, Maxime and Elly are all happy to continue as trustees. There were no other nominations

Any Other Business

There being no further business the meeting was drawn to a close.