

**Minutes of FoHP Party Planning
7.30, 19 August, 2020.**

1	Present : Ian Critchley, Erica Timothy,, Jean Evans, Henry Ford, Ian Herve, Julia : Thanks to IH for hosting.	
	Apologies : Suzanne McCarraher	
2	Matters Arising from recent Activities	
2.1	Water Station : Ian H will revive the process	IH
2.2	Shrub Trail: Web site shrub page and trail published	HF ET
2.3	Gardening Shed: Accessed, stil to be properly cleared together with compound.	
2.4	Rose donation : `planted, and paid for	IC
2.5	Davidia : Council refused planting permission in spring. We have insisted that it is put on the Autumn planting or we will plant it in the position agreed by the council last December	IC
3	Finance	
3.1	The balance as at 18.8.20 was £4501.31. Costs amounted to £1003.93	IC
3.2	Donation of £500 towards the Pond	
3.3	Amanda Rigby and Dr Kumar have offered some of their money towards the park	
4:	Membership	
	121 members, 17 without email addresses. IC and IH to go through lists	IC IH
3	Events	ALL
3.1	Summer party : This is now cancelled.	
3.2	Christmas Carols : date secured with the Choir either the 16-19 December	HF
4	Gardening	
4.1	Recently 15-19 people have been turning out for gardening and litter picking.	
4.2	Memorial garden:.	
4..2.1	Laurels now almost completely cut back revealing 12 mock oranges	
4.2.2	Gravel weeding initiated	
4.2.3	Laurels round Front Lawn trimmed to waist height	
4.2.3	Benches: Promised benches did not come being sent to Alice Park. We have an urgent need for one, and a possibility of two others. Benches need maintenance- strippint and oiling/varnishing	
4.2.4	Planters: Need emptying and replanting is Spring	
4.2.5.	Water tap : Support frecommended rather than boxing in	
4.2.6	General weeding and edging maintained	
4.2.7	Damaged trellis repaired. Note that bolts probably need replacing with steel throughout.	
4.2.8	Laurels near Parottia to be removed, and the lawn could be bounded by two Phormiums offered by members	
4.2.9	A dying Acer negundo is overhanging the street,and has dropped a damaging branch within the garden. The council were informed but no action has been taken	

5:	Projects	
5.2	Sign for Sunderland Street: Manda has said there is money available to move the sign from Hen Street entrance to Sunderland St. To plant 4 rose bushes and cut back holly on the other side. Total cost. £200.	
5.3	Pond	
5.3.1	We have received a donation for 500 towards Pond clearance	
5.3.2	Dr Kumar had offered £200 towards pond maintenance	
5.2.3	HF has received 2 proposals from companies for clearance, cost between 1500-2500. to be followed up.	HF
5.2.4	Jane and Colin have been informed of the initiative and will contact Properties for their advice in clearance by professionals and developing a proper maintenance plan	
5.2.5	Bristol and Bath Parks Foundatio: Ian C has been aproached regarding funding for pond and fountain	
5.3:	Litter/poo bins: These need smartening up. We have had an offer for one to be placed near Sunderland Street	
6:	Loos	
6.1	Moss, has not been cleared	
7:	Entrances	
7.1	Sunderland Street:	
7.1.1	Clearance has resulted in a much better shape, and revealed mahonias on the west side. The Pruning of the Mahonias on the east side has been particularly successful	
7.1.2	Park Sign will be moved (see 5.2 above)	
7.2	Henrietta Mews	
7.2.1	Gate and fence painted	
7.2.2	Posts and wire support in place, rose and honeysuckle planted and climbing	
8:	Publications	
8.1	Trail leaflets (Shrub and History, Trees) have been reprinted (1000 of each with a furter 1000 to be printed after appraisal) . Money donated by an award from the council	
8.2	Distribution to the Local Hotels, Pubs and Schools	
9	Council Cooperation	
9.1	Jane and Colin were met in the Park discussing aspects of the Memorial Garden. No prior information of this was given and it was only by chance that the meeting occurred. Some of the suggestions that were mooted by the council would be opposed (the cutting of the Parottia, the making of another formal rosebed and its clipping with electric shears) and it must be reiterated that the council have signed an agreement to cooperate with the Friends group, and not once in 5 years have they done so	
9	AOB: None arising	
10	Next Meeting Proposed : October 6, 6.30 pm , Venue TBA	