



Minutes of the Meeting held on 19th August 2015
At Marina Avenue, Great Sankey.

Present: T Wood, A Seddon, D Woods, J Bouch

<p>Apologies B McLaughlan, S McLaughlan, D Taylor, P Grierson</p>	<p>Action</p>
<p>Minutes of Last Meeting The Minutes of the meeting held on 20th May, 2015 were approved and signed.</p>	
<p>Matters Arising Awaiting electronic copy of the Chair's Annual report.</p>	<p>TW</p>
<p>War Memorial Plaques Correspondence has been received from R Patton (WBC) and the Diocese of Liverpool stating they are happy for us to proceed with a fourth bronze plaque and that one of their parishioners (who is an artist) is willing to help with the design. However, the War Memorials Trust have stated that if we go ahead with this plan they will recall the funding previous allocated to us as it would contravene the conditions originally set down by them. WMT have been contacted and asked what suggestions they have for filling the fourth recess. No answer has as yet been received. J Bouch stated that as WMT will not change their stance on the subject that we utilise the funds raised to improve both the dwarf wall and paving around the War Memorial (both of which have been agreed in the current Faculty issued by the Diocese of Liverpool). Proposed by J Bouch. Seconded by T Wood. Unanimously agreed. T Wood added that this item should be brought back to the next meeting in order that any other committee members may voice their opinions/objections.</p>	
<p>Tools D Taylor suggested that we purchase some long handled horizontal trimmers, petrol hedge trimmers, large shrubs and some large planters for the entrance to the cemetery and by the War Memorial. It was agreed that D Taylor could purchase the horizontal trimmer and D Woods stated he had hedge trimmers that he was happy to use at the cemetery as and when they were required. He also suggested that he checks the position where we want the planters and offered to make same for the group. D Woods to meet the group</p>	<p>DT</p>

<p>on site on Saturday, 22nd August to confirm position, design, size, etc.</p>	<p>DW</p>
<p>Any Other Business T WOOD commented that at the last WBC Friends group meeting Hollinsfare Cemetery group were very complementary about us. Thanks were given to J Bouch for the catering for the meeting. Green Flag status had previously been deferred and after discussion it was agreed that we now abandon this venture as it would cause us an awful lot of work and we would not gain a great deal, if anything, from receiving this award. Unanimously agreed to abandon this project. C Whitfield had visited the cemetery to discuss the gate to be put in the back fence. D Woods and A Seddon had met with Paul Rowe (from WBC) today, 19th August. They discussed the gate (which must be wide enough for wheelchair access), rotavating and grave marking and lawn cutting. WBC will now cut all the grassed areas past the planted triangle area and we will be responsible for the top end of the cemetery. A discussion took place regarding the grave markings and it was suggested that we use 'pavers' with the grave number painted on them. J Bouch produced a stencil which could be used for this purpose. Further discussion needs to take place regarding signage of Plot/Section and row numbers. T Wood looking for large red buttons for use in making wired poppies. If anyone can supply same please pass on as soon as possible. One of the pump flasks used for coffee making is not working correctly. T Woods priced these from a supplier to the catering industry and they range between £31-£41 plus P&P but she can obtain a 10% on cost. It was suggested that D Taylor check with PHS what price they can purchase them for. We need a further 2 flasks before the end of September 2015. D WOODS proposed we empty the compost bins as they have not been used correctly. It was agreed that he contacts Whittakers to see what costs would be involved and when they could carry out this work. T Wood suggested we get a photo of the type of compost bins being used at Hollinsfare cemetery. J BOUCH advised that we had been successful in obtaining funding of £200 from the Lions Club towards to cost of new tools and large shrubs to be place around the cemetery. The funds should be made available to us in early September. V Hudson had applied to the Community Chest for funds on our behalf. This had been declined. It was stated by members of the committee that as she is no longer a member of the group she should not be making bids on our behalf but rather should give details to us in order that we can make a decision whether we wish to apply. It was also stated that we appreciate her enthusiasm towards helping the group.</p>	<p>DW, AS</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>DT</p> <p>DW</p> <p>TW</p>

<p>Fashion show ticket sales need to be reported back to J Bouch in time for the RBL meeting on 2nd September. It was agreed that FOSMC would donate a bottle hamper for the raffle. D Wood and J Bouch stated they would give a couple of bottles of wine each, A Seddon one bottle of wine and T Wood said a friend would likely donate a bottle of gin. J Bouch to contact C Whitfield and D Taylor to ask for donations.</p> <p>J Bouch and T Wood agreed to sell poppies on behalf of RBL at Marks and Spencer, Gemini on 30th October.</p> <p>A SEDDON has decided to go 'alcohol free' for the month of September. A sponsorship form was passed round and any funds raised will be split equally between FOSMC and RBL.</p> <p>A grave which has recently been tidied up has a stone with a hand inscribed notation. It was suggest that we re-</p> <p>mark the stone in permanent ink. As this does not belong to the group it was suggest that we leave a message under the stone asking the grave holder if they would like us to do this.</p> <p>We are still experiencing great difficulties with website and it was agreed that T Wood contacts Matt Newton to see if he can help us in this regard.</p>	<p>JB</p> <p>TW,JB</p> <p>AS</p> <p>AS</p> <p>TW</p>
<p>Date of Next Meeting – 16th September – 7pm at Marina Avenue</p>	