**Minutes from Parks Committee Meeting Wednesday 7th September 2022**

**Present:-** Cllr L Rowland, Cllr H Maurice-Jones,Cllr A Stevens, Clr M Woods, Cllr N Roberts, Cllr M Gledhill.

LR reported that a request to cut the hedges at Rossett Park ,Chester Road and at the Weir had been made and would be carried out by the regular contractor week commencing 12th September. The hedges at Mountain View and Greenfield would be cut by the Street Warden.

**Action:- Clerk to instruct street warden**

Following the annual park inspection reports, LR raised a couple of items that needed agreement concerning Mountain View.

Firstly the wooden edging surrounding the bark had started to rot, this item was classed as a low risk on the report. It was agreed that this would be reviewed in the Spring.

**Action:- none at present**

Secondly the matter of the metal chain fence that has bulged in places and a hole near the concrete post at the entrance to the park.

**Action :- Carry out a repair to the hole and review the state of the fence in the Spring -**

**HMJ & LR to organise.**

At all parks there is some equipment that needs to be rubbed down and repainted, it was decided that the Park Wardens would carry this out now that the schools have returned and before the weather gets too damp.

**Action:- Street Warden to deal with Grenfield and Mountain View and the Park Warden to deal with Rossett. Clerk to give appropriate lists to both wardens.**

The cherry tree that was planted to commemorate the Jubilee has not fared very well after having branches broken off and the dry weather in the summer. It was thought to place a tree guard around the trunk to prevent further damage, however a decision was made to see if the tree survived the winter as it may need to be replaced. The Jubilee plaque will be placed at the tree at a later date.

**Action:- State of tree to be reviewed in the Spring**

Following comments on social media and AS being contacted regarding the dog signing at the parks, which is confusing, the matter was again discussed. A few months ago RCC decided not to allow dogs in the park and this was again agreed at the meeting. LR contacted Cllrs HJ and RS to clarify if we could remove the WBCC signage. The reply from WBCC was not clear and HJ is following this up, however we also need to display signage in Welsh.

**Action:- Clerk to organise signage in Welsh saying no dogs for all parks and to take down the WBCC signs and keep them in toilet block.**

LR reported about the items she had collected to be placed in the capsule and asked for other suggestions. It was agreed that pictures of this year's floral displays and scarecrow event should be included.

**Action:- HMJ to forward display pictures to LR, and LR to organise village pictures**

Autumn bulb planting programme. HMJ reported that the bulbs that were saved from last year's displays have been dried and are ready for cleaning and would like volunteers to help with the cleaning. Bulbs would need to be ordered ahead of the annual planting programme and HJM also recalled the Chairman wanting to plant extra this year to commemorate the Jubilee.

**Action:- HJM to place order for bulbs after liaising with the Chair. HJM & LR to**

**organise a small working party to clean bulbs.**

Final item to be discussed was to replace the barrels at Lavister and to identify the areas to be planted with bulbs this year.

**Action:- Both items to be put on the agenda to be discussed at the next RCC meeting**