

**Friends of Beechwood Park (FoBP)** (a sub-committee of Torbrex Community Council): **Action Report of meeting of 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2009.**

( Please note that our next meeting will take place in Stirling High School on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2009. )

**Present.** Murray Dickie; Hugh Gillies; Wilson Jamieson; Hirek Kwiatkowski (Convener); Mary Kwiatkowski; Ian Robertson.

**Apologies received.** Margaret Duff; Valerie Millgan; Bill Sim; Evelyn Sim.

1. Reports of meetings held on 18<sup>th</sup> March and 14<sup>th</sup> May 2009 were accepted as an accurate record.
2. Matters arising from Report
  - a) Mary Kwiatkowski reported from the Funding Group that the sum of £496, which the Group had successfully obtained from Sons of the Rock, had now been used to purchase a class set of aprons, wellies and gloves, as well as compost to help get the SHS polytunnel venture underway.

*ACTION. An opportunity for Nick Cooke, Secretary of Sons of the Rock to visit the polytunnel project in the new school session to be arranged by Trudi Togneri. FoBP to provide an update of progress within 12 months.*

- b) With regard to the decision at the May meeting not to undertake any litter-picking over the summer, Hirek indicated that, over the first two weeks of the school summer holiday, there appeared to be significantly less litter in the Park. It was agreed to monitor the situation to see if this improvement was sustained over the rest of the school summer break – with the possibility of a pick late in the summer. Meanwhile, Hirek will start arrangements for a schedule for litter picks when school returns – when he receives details of the session calendar from Trudi.

*ACTION. Hirek to contact Trudi again for session 2009-10 calendar details; and then to prepare litter pick dates schedule for first two terms*

- c) It was noted that, in response to the Beechwood Park Masterplan consultation, a full response had been submitted to Cannon Design, as requested, by the required deadline – following contributions, draftings, discussion and final documentation by FoBP.
3. Following communication from Brendan Docherty that he had decided to resign from the position of Vice-Convener and from FoBP, thanks and appreciation were recorded in relation to the very considerable input that Brendan had brought to the work of FoBP; and it was agreed that Hirek should write to Brendan on behalf of the group – and sending a copy of this Report in which our thanks are recorded.

*ACTION. Hirek to write to Brendan on behalf of FoBP, expressing the sincere thanks of FoBP*

4. Hirek reported that, following upon a recent meeting of the Community Council at which Sandy McLean from Streetscape had been present, he had e-mailed Sandy to raise yet again the FoBP request for more litter bins and dog bins (regarding which Wilson Jamieson and Hugh Gillies had been in contact with the Council nearly a year ago). It was noted that *one* new (and very sturdy) litter bin has appeared.

