



Mike Heckford	FoPP	Tony Unsworth	Mini Golf
Pat Lincoln	FoPP	Chris Bullen	Miniature Railway
Michael Collins	FoPP	Kris Hall	Road Train
Naomi Preston	Poole Park User Group	Alan Cooper	Wessex orienteering club
Rachael Pountney	The Ark & Boatshed	Ros Spencer	Poole Wheelers
AJ / Pip Woods	Rockley Watersports	Mike Towner	Poole Runners
Roy Cane/Pete Wiles	Poole Model Yacht club	Gemma Genco	B&PCFE
Brett Townsend	Tennis	Rebecca Edwards	Bournemouth University
Phil Baker	Poole Park Bowls club	Gail Percival	PHP
Angela Mansbridge	Chestnut Nursery	Sandra Wilson	PHP
Phil Baker	Poole Town cricket club	Chris Flynn	Poole CVS
Sam Beavis	Richmond Fellowship	Gemma Wilton/ Chris Dear	BoP Rec & Devt
Nigel Bridle	Continental Landscapes	Mike Cure	Park Run
Chris Flynn	ACT!	Cllr John Rampton	Portfolio Holder E&CPS
Parkstone Ward: Cllrs Stribley, Williams, Challinor		Poole Town: Cllrs Garner-Watts, Hadley, Howell	
Other: Marty Caine			

**Poole Park Forum**  
**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2015, 6pm.**  
**Cattistock Room, Civic centre.**

**Agenda:**

1. Update on the Poole Park Life project
  - a. Conservation Plan and Management plan.  
 MW ran through the main features of each plan and what the work links to further on in the project, e.g. Materials specification defined in conservation plan is then used in design work. The Conservation plan will make recommendations for repair or other work. The management plan will look at how the park is run and how we intend to manage it over the long term, eg 15 years+
  - b. 125 and other events  
 MW outlined the 125 event, approx. 40 activities/organisations present and taking place throughout the park. Request for any help/volunteers to come forward to help with site set up, staffing entrances, requesting donations etc  
 Poole Park Counts – Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> Aug. MW explained purpose of mapping park use and behaviour for baseline targets that need to be set within the project for the HLF. RP happy to have questionnaires in the businesses and link to the e-version in newsletters etc CF to forward link.  
 Event guide says 9-5 for counts info, but all agreed that park use is more like 6am – 10pm and info needs to be collected for as long as possible. Volunteers needed! More info nearer the event.  
 Guided walks. One complete with 30 people attending. Next one is 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug at 7pm.
  - c. Access audit. Work started to assess access throughout the park, in 4 themes: Physical landscape, play experience, enjoying the park and info and signage. Various groups and charities involved.
  - d. Photo Mosaic Project. Fund raiser recently launched, asking people to upload their photos for £5 each which will be part of a new structure in the park, using the



original design map as the base image for the mosaic. Promoted on twitter: dorset live

e. The next steps.

Discussion on what the design process would include, specifically around any changes to the roads or car parks. Comment on effectiveness of existing speed ramps, MW explained design ideas for improving entrances, changing appearance of the road by the war memorials and trying to reduce speed and therefore traffic flow.

5 themes for improvement are listed below for info. MW will detail these at the next meeting.

MCo suggested using cctv to monitor existing use and then use as a live feed based at the info kiosk to show what's happening in the park.

2. Round the table – what's happening with you?

CD Recreation team update: Park Run expanding with juniors comp on Sunday mornings. Last sat saw a new record of 726 runners.

Discussing new markers that would provide a fixed route out side of park run times. Discussed fitness equipment replacement programme within the bid.

New funding bid working with Poole Hospital Cancer Unit. Using physical activity in the park for rehab and could lead to long-term sustainable benefits and use.

SB mentioned Richmond fellowship are interested in running Tai Chi classes and similar for their clients

CD – discussion on need for a licence for PT's fitness providers to operate on open spaces, charged at £100 per activity a week for a year.

SB suggested an app for P Pk would be useful, linking to geo-caches, fitness equipment use, questionnaires etc. Could also be linked to app-tracking and gps for monitoring behaviour etc.

3. AOB

Discussion on social media and the role of the FB page Poole Park User Group.

MCo Some negative use ruins the page for everyone.

RP stated that some comments could be seen as libellous

NP mediates comments as best as she can

MW suggested if individuals have specific concerns or want comments removed they can always contact the page administrator directly.

There is always a balance between reach, control and engagement on these platforms and from the council's point of view sometimes the overall benefits of engagement outweigh the negative loss of some control. Overall the User Group page is positive.

**Next meeting Tuesday October 13<sup>th</sup> at 11am, Civic centre, Cattistock Room. Please note access will be via main reception.**

Times of the meetings will be alternated from daytimes to evenings.