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Minutes of the meeting held on 29 October 2017 were agreed as a true record.

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It was noted that planting of the boundary border on Downhills Park Road had commenced. Bamboo hedge had been planted although some Friends were bamboozled by this choice!

Jonathan flagged the problem with the pond noting that it was red and that the water level had reduced.

It was noted that work was underway in the park in relation to repairing pipes on the pathway along the top of the Italian garden leading towards the pond.

It was noted that there had been damage to various areas of the park caused by vehicles driving across grassed areas.

Several Friends had received an email regarding the 'Weekend of Play' scheduled fro 20 – 22 April 2018. It was agreed that this would be shared with Neri to see if she might want to access funding to support an event in the park.

Friends had also received the email from Dave Morris regarding plans at Lordship Rec to apply for funding and offer support around co-management of parks. The Friends were of the view that this was not something they could pursue at the current time.

Clare agreed to write to Sarah Jones about the pond and to flag park issues at the Friends of Park Forum meeting on 3 February. These would include: the pond, general maintenance of paths, vehicles in the park, repair to the fence at the pond & storage space in the lock up in the event it is sold.

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Clare noted that the date for Art in the Park would be Sunday 22 July 2018. She requested that if Friends saw Ray that they advise him of the date. Clare will also leave a note for Ray and make the necessary arrangements to arrange for use of the park.

Funding will be requested from Tottenham Grammar School Foundation and hopefully also from the Council when the small grants fund becomes available. There was discussion about requesting further funding from Pocket Living and Friends were of the view that this should be pursued.

Clare will flag the date with Neri.

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It was noted that information had been received about works starting on the Pocket Living development & that Clare would share this with Friends. There were questions about when work to the entrance to the Keston Centre would commence.

Jonathan noted the Murder Mystery events being held at Lordship Hub and asked that posters be put up in the notice boards to advertise the event.

The next meeting of the Friends of Downhills Park will be held on Sunday 11 March at 4pm.