

Waterfront Park Upgrade Group update: 21 Sept 2017 @3.15pm

Trish met with Phillipa from school (art teacher) Richard parks and reserves TDC and Pete who is doing bracket for art work.

Trish asked Pete to join her with this meeting.

This meeting turned to be a positive step forward

1. Phillipa is downsizing the frames and is making 2
2. Richard happy with project and having community art in the park. He did ask that they be made to last at least 5 years. Phillipa is having wood treated so life expectancy is a lot longer than that and they are happy to replace any ceramics that get damaged over time. Richard felt they would fit in well with the park and Phillipa is happy with decisions
3. At Richards's suggestion to use existing concrete and Pete's enthusiasm as to how to attach....Decided to dina bolt the frames to existing concrete in 2 different places. This will ensure they are secure and no digging needed. One with the aquarium theme on side of path looking over to where aquarium used to be. The second one further down path also dina bolted on an angle where you can see the water. Richard is happy for this to be done as discussed by Pete who will get the brackets made professionally and will liaise with Phillipa. This is expected to be done in November.

I popped into see the new frames for the tables, they are lovely, a bright yellow with the natural wood tops they are going to be impressive. Richard confirmed that he is arranging for pads to go in before the end of October.

Playground bits..... Richard has confirmed that by end of November these will be done. He needs time to sort out how they are going to insert them and whether he needs to involve contractors or just community work bee. Trish suggested that the steps do not need to be as high as 600 that 400 is high enough. Richard has asked Trish to nag him so it stays at the top of his to do list. He feels he should be able to confirm within 2 weeks. Richard said after seeing the pictures of the pipe with frame and hobbit door he felt better about the concept. I explained that some discussion had been on polishing the concrete to alleviate any sharp edges. More than likely we will use top soil to make a bed for the pipe and do next to no digging if possible.

Trish thanked Richard for his time and effort on our behalf and said although I keep hounding him, we do appreciate his input and realise he is busy.

Note for addition to notes taken at meeting. Elena agreed to write to Ruby Coast Initiative Trust re help with story boards or notice boards so that anything we do fit in with the others in community.