

**MINUTES OF THE MOOR POND WOOD 'STEERING COMMITTEE'**  
**MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 11<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY, 2004 AT 41 MAIN STREET,**  
**PAPPLEWICK.**

**Present:**

<b>Mr S Walker</b>	<b>Chairman</b>
<b>Mrs M Barker</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>
<b>Mrs M Hollinrake</b>	<b>Secretary</b>
<b>Mrs M Passey</b>	<b>Papplewick Parish Council</b>
<b>Mrs M Kerr</b>	<b>Friends Group</b>
<b>Mr L Scudder</b>	<b>Nottinghamshire County Council</b>
<b>Mrs M Hull</b>	<b>Friends Group</b>
<b>Mrs C Hardstaff</b>	<b>Linby Parish Council</b>
<b>Mrs D Townsend</b>	<b>Friends Group</b>

**1. APOLOGIES**

Received from Mr T Buttle and accepted.

**2. MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON 9 DECEMBER 2003**

Mrs M Kerr proposed acceptance, seconded by Mrs M Passey and agreed.

**3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**Commemorative Seats** - The inscriptions on the back rails had been completed. Mrs Kerr proposed that a box of chocolates be given to Mr Tate, the inscriber which was agreed.

**Correspondence** - Mr Walker had sent a completed questionnaire to Penn Associates but had not yet heard from them.

**Speakers** - John Flanders needs to be contacted to confirm that he is OK for 27 February. Mrs M Passey will produce the posters for this evening. All agreed that the talk on Papplewick Pumping Station was most enjoyable. A donation of £25.00 was given to the project. Mr Scudder said that he would remind Chris Ryder about the talk on 30 March. A quiz was suggested for the end of April.

**Hidden Valley Project** - Gedling BC is not putting any money into the scheme.

**4. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) Notice of a Seminar on Archaeology of Ancient Woods and Landscapes on 22 May had been received. It was agreed to book 4 places.

- b) Information about Green Pennant Awards from Greenwood Community Forest had been received and after discussion it was agreed not to take part.
- c) There is to be a meeting of the Friends of Greenwood Community Forest on 1 March. Mrs Barker said she would be away and no-one else could attend.

## 5. ACCOUNTS

There was no expenditure to report. There was an income of 19p interest. Mrs Hollinrake to provide receipts for the £5.07 petty cash balance for the year-end accounts.

## 6. GRANTS

**LHI** - Mrs Barker had heard from the Archaeologist who had nearly completed his report. He confirmed he would chase the university to send out the final invoice. There was a discussion about the content of the report needed by the Countryside Agency – Mrs Barker to complete and return.

**Forestry Grant** - Mr Scudder said he would check with Chris Ryder on our eligibility for this grant.

**Community Champions** - Mr Walker would apply for this grant detailing what he wished to do for the Community. He said that the main topic would be to look at surveying. He had looked at GPS systems available and recommended one costing £450 + VAT. He explained how it would work. The application had to be sent in within the next 10 days as a meeting was to be held in March.

**Grange Cottage Wood** - A discussion was held about any grants outstanding. Approximately £1,300 funding was left. Of this £400 was allocated for fencing with £900 unallocated.

Mr Collins has yet to finish his work. Further damage reported to the fencing by a crashed car. The police had been informed and they had confirmed it was a stolen car.

**Wren** - A £7,000 grant was due to be received at the end of the month. This was to be used for the footpath in Papplewick Dam. Part of it could also to be used to build a small bridge at the bottom of the steps. The funding did not cover a bridge by the fishing pond. This could not be considered until agreement given for connecting footpath alongside the Papplewick side of the fishing pond. Notts. County Council's Footpaths Officer had written to Mr Cundy.

**Coalfields Regeneration Trust** - Mrs Kerr reported that we are eligible for this because we are under the Newstead Ward. Between £50 and £5,000 can be claimed, the money to be spent within a year. The application had to be put forward by mid-

March. It was suggested that this grant could possibly be used to rebuild the bridge in Moor Pond Wood. A discussion took place about how the application would be made.

**Nottingham Building Society** - An application for £1,000 is to be made.

**Living Spaces** - Between £1,000 and £100,000 can be applied for. It was agreed to apply for an application form.

7. **GPS SYSTEM**

Mrs Barker asked Mr Walker if he had been able to claim for the stolen GPS system. He had not been able to claim on his household insurance or the Project's. Mrs Barker proposed that the 'Friends' refund Mr Walker. Mrs Kerr seconded. All in agreement.

8. **BARN DANCE**

The tickets were ready for sale. The organisation of the night was discussed.

9. **POND**

Mr Cordin is pegging down the wood already removed. A winch is needed to finish the job and Mr Scudder said he would be able to provide that. Litter needs removing from the banks of the pond. Dyno-Rod had not been able to do any work because of recent rainfall. £4,170 was still in the fund.

10. **ANY MATTERS THE CHAIRMAN FEELS NEED TO BE DISCUSSED**

A pink fungus found by Mr Scudder had been sent to experts. They pronounced it a very rare species and it was the first specimen ever found in Britain.

11. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, 9th March at 7.45pm at 7 Main Street, Papplewick.

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