

**MINUTES OF THE MOOR POND WOOD 'STEERING COMMITTEE'**

**MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 8th MARCH 2005**

**AT 41 MAIN STREET, PAPPLEWICK**

<b><u>Present:</u></b>	Mr S Walker	Chairman
	Mrs M Barker	Secretary arrived at approx. 8.15pm
	Mrs C Hardstaff	Linby Parish Council
	Mrs M Hull	Friends Treasurer
	Mrs M Kerr	Friends Group
	Mrs M Passey	Friends Group
	Mr L Scudder	Nottinghamshire County Council
	Mrs D Townsend	Friends Group
	Mr V Whyley	Clerk to Papplewick Parish Council

**1. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Mrs Barker who would be arriving late due to attending another meeting.

**2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 25th JANUARY 2005**

Mrs Kerr proposed acceptance, seconded by Mr Scudder and agreed.

**3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Minutes of 23rd November 2004 were presented at the meeting. Mrs Passey proposed acceptance, seconded by Mrs Hull and agreed.

**Matters Arising from 23rd November 2004**

Invertebrate Survey (Page 1) Mrs Barker had confirmed the management plan was not on computer. Mr Walker confirmed he had a copy of the final report.

Papplewick Dam (Page 1) Mr Scudder still to speak to Anthony Cundy about the new footpath.

**Matters Arising from 25th January 2005**

Press Release (Page 1) Copies sent out to all local press, councils and other appropriate bodies. Articles had appeared in both the Hucknall Dispatch and Nottingham Evening Post.

Barn Dance (Page 1) £51.03 profit made from the event but noted it was a struggle selling tickets.

Crassula (Page 2) Mr Scudder had checked a couple of times but it was 'stalwart' not 'crassula'. Mr Scudder to keep a check on this.

**4. CORRESPONDENCE**

**Notts. RCC Funder Fair** – 16th March. Mrs Townsend offered to attend.

**Artist Article** – Mrs Kerr had noted this and hoped funding might be available for artwork.

5. ACCOUNTS

<b>Parish Council Account</b>				<b>£</b>
Receipts:	VAT refund		-	94.88
	Countryside Agency / Nationwide		-	11,552.00
	Bank interest			0.98
Payments:	Chq 000076	Mrs Barker	Petty Cash	25.00
	Chq 000077	Progressive	Printer Cartridge	16.99
	Chq 000079	Mr E A Cordin	Tree work Moor Pond	442.00
	Chq 000080	Mrs Barker	Petty Cash	25.00
<b>Friends' Account:</b>				
Receipts:	Notts. Community Foundation	– Interpretation board grant		4,940.00
	Notts. Community Foundation	– Tree mapping day		618.08
	Community Champions Grant	- Tree mapping equipment		481.92
	BTCV People's Places Award	- Tree pollarding P. Dam		1,718.00
Payments:	Chq 000016	Girth tapes/log labels		133.73
	Chq 000017	P&L V.Hall – hire for tree survey day		24.50
	Chq 000018	Global positioning system (Community Champions)		484.35
	Chq 000020	Nails	(Tree survey day)	37.90
	" "	Laser meter	( " " " )	380.70
	Chq 000021	Refreshments	( " " " )	52.64
	Chq 000022	Postage for labels	( " " " )	18.44

At this point Mrs Barker joined the meeting and correspondence from Gedling CVS was circulated.

6. GRANT APPLICATIONS

- (a) LHI Phase II - Mr Walker reported work had stopped on the leat reconstruction because of insufficient stone on site to complete the job. Noted Mansfield 'white' stone had originally been used but this was no longer available. Unfortunately, the reserve stone offered by Notts. CC was of an unsuitable size and could not be cut down. Other types of stone were being considered – S Walker to speak to the archaeologist.

Work to be undertaken on 12th and 13th March was discussed. Mr Scudder to contact Dave Collins re earth moving equipment. Mrs Barker confirmed Paddy Tipping MP had expressed a wish to join the workday and would attend on Sunday 13th.

No contact had been received from Ursilla Spence following Mr Walker's request for confirmation and costings of work to be undertaken by the Sherwood archaeologists. The original brief was discussed and agreed a letter be sent to her. Noted the Sherwood archaeologists had recorded the features exposed during the January workday in Grange Cottage Wood. On the February workday the ATC had assisted with a drainage channel being exposed. This was in alignment between the outlet from Moor Pond diagonally linking up with the woodland floor. Some oyster shells had been taken away for analysis. Richard Sheppard had also attended the February workday. Mr Scudder to speak to Ursilla about work to be undertaken on the 12th/13th workdays.

- (b) **BTCV People's Award Scheme** - Application submitted to the Forestry Commission for a tree felling licence. Mr Scudder confirmed Moyra Garrick of the FC supported the project and Jonathan Rhodes would start work as soon as he had assistance. Mrs Kerr stated although Mr Cardin was unable to undertake any tree work due to a hand injury, he had obtained a lower quotation than his original one for the pollarding and if Jonathan needed help that contractor may be prepared to assist. Health and Safety to be undertaken by Jonathan Rhodes.

Noted the felling licence would cover the removal of some of the sycamores in Moor Pond Wood. Mr Scudder confirmed that if specific costings were given to Sherwood Forest Trust it had agreed the work could be undertaken later in the year.

## 7. **FRIENDS' GROUP MEETINGS – SPEAKERS**

Having checked the availability of the Village Hall the following was agreed.

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| 18th March    | – | Tim Hardstaff on agriculture. Mrs Passey to prepare posters.                        |
| 22nd April    | – | Dr Peter Kirby on the 2003 Invertebrate Survey / Stephen Walker on the tree survey. |
| 20th May      | – | Lee Scudder and Stephen Walker leading an archaeological walk through the site.     |
| 27th May      | – | Outside, details to be agreed   |
| 24th June     | - | Outside, details to be agreed   |
| 22nd July     | - | BBQ   |
| 7th October   | – | Annual General Meeting  |
| 28th October  | – | To be agreed  |
| 25th November | - | To be agreed  |

## 8. **FINANCIAL PLANNING – REVIEW OF FUND HEADINGS**

The Parish Council's Moor Pond Wood accounting spreadsheet system was discussed with Vic Whyley the new Clerk. Mrs Barker confirmed her last dealing with the accounts was a year ago. Mr Whyley to look at the spreadsheets and to discuss further with Mr Walker how the accounts would be prepared in the future.

## 9. **ANY MATTERS THE CHAIRMAN FEELS NEED TO BE DISCUSSED**

**Tree Survey** - Mr Walker produced the map showing the extent of the tree survey to date. Agreed to hold another tree surveying event on 14th May. Mrs Hull to check the availability of the Village Hall.

**New Year's Eve Party** – It was agreed to organise another party for 2005.

**Interpretation Boards** – Details were shown to the meeting. The final proof to be circulated for checking.

## 10. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, 12th April, 7.30 at 41 Main Street.