The Minutes of the Lambley Reed Pond Group Meeting On Tuesday 14th April 2026 at 7pm in Lambley Village Hall.

Present

Committee:, Stephen Bird (SGB), Sarah Rhodes (SR), Christine Bridgett (CB), Karen Hayter (KAH), Sofia Fullwood (SF) and Ian Kassell (IK).

Apologies: Kim Hogden, Gina Bajek and Len Harvey : Nature Advisor.

1.0	Description	Action / Date
2.0	The Minutes of the last meeting dated 10th March 2026 were accepted as a correct record.	
2.1	**Sudden departure of our Chairperson.** BB had informed the Committee in writing that she was standing down (with immediate effect) from the Chair role and was also leaving the Committee to spend more time on her other exstensive art projects. The Committee wished her all the best thanking her for all she had pioneered. They asked our Secretary (ik) to include this additional Agenda item. The Committee requested IK to contact BB with a list of outstanding issues where BB had taken the lead on projects. KH - Administrator would be asked to remove her from the Committee Whats App Group.	**IK** **KH**
2.2	**Election of a temporary Chair** The Committee requested that the important role of Chair needed filling on a temporary basis before the Sept 26 AGM. SGB would accept the role on this basis and seconded by SR – The Committee unanimously elected SGB.	**All to Note**
3.0	**Matters Arising**	
3.1	**(3.1) irecord Project Management** SGB noted that action is still awaiting.	

3.2	**(7.0) Google Drive** SF noted that work was in progress on the revamped google drive	
3.3	**(9.0) Pond – Parish Council Update** SR had updated the Parish Council on progress regarding the pond.	
3.4	**(5.0) Monitoring growth of new plants** KAH noted that the Wilder Trent primroses, wood anemones on the north side of the pond meadow were healthy and flowering.	
4.0	**Treasurers Report** The Treasurer noted that the previous balance was £3474.53p and the current one - £3574.53p after Cllr Helen Greensmith donated £100 from her Gedling Borough Council budget.	
5.0	**Record of Hours worked** SR noted that the current number of hours worked by Committee and volunteers was 689 hours. SR requested Committee members to submit their hours worked.	
6.0	**Google Drive Meeting** A Meeting had taken place with BB and SF for the current design for the drive.	
7.0	**Information Boards** As we have noted earlier IK would contact BB regarding the information boards amongst other items.	**IK**
8.0	**Wilder Trent Project** KAH noted that a large number of wildflower plug plants for the west meadow and pond marginal plants from Naturescape through the Wilder Trent grant shortly. KAH was lead organizer and would need help planting in late April. Planting in the west meadow near the bench.	**All to Note**

	KAH was also awaiting many marginal plants the majority to be planted in the south east part of the pond. These were mainly water plantains and marsh marigold. Purchase of a mens and ladies waders for the task and long water proof gloves was essential. Planting to take place w/c 23rd April	
9.0	**Pond** SR was still in discussion with the Heritage Lottery Fund regarding potential grant – work in progress SGB and SR were also trying to source other potential grants.	
10.0	**Hedging and boundaries** Despite the very dry 2025 the majority of shrubs planted had survived that Summer drought and the north hedging saplings planted earlier this year would be likewise monitored throughout 2026.	
11.0	**Duke of Edinburgh Awards** This item would be removed from future agendas. IK to action	**IK**
12.0	**Future Events**	
12.1	**Cowslip Sunday Event – Sunday 3rd May 2026** This Year the Cowslip Sunday Event is being revived in the village and the Parish Council are showing support for it. The Group would be organizing a mobile display stand and CB has agreed to lead. The Display Stand is currently stored at BBs garage. CB to liaise with BB. Committee members are most welcome to help Christine on the day.	**All to Note**
13.0		
13.1	**Any Other Business** Lifesaver Ring CB noted that the ring contents had been removed earlier by someone but these are now replaced. SGB thanked CB.	

13.2	**Group Social Event** A date of Saturday May 16 (evening) had been suggested – meet at the Woodlark. Please can Committee members state their availability (this will include past committee members).	**All to Note**
14.0	The next Meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th May 2026 in the Village Hall.	