

The Minutes of Lambley Reed Pond Group (LRPG) – Committee Meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023 in Lambley Village Hall at 7pm

Attendance:

Steve Brett, Karen Hayter, Christine Bridgett, Ian Kassell.

Apologies for absence

Kim Hogden, Julie Gregory, Stephen Bird, Sarah Rhodes and Gina Bajek

1.0 Minutes from the last meeting dated 27<sup>th</sup> April 2023

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as a correct record. Updates on specific actions from the last meeting were noted as a correct record.

2.0 Review of outstanding actions

3.0 (11/01/23) re-positioning of the lifebuoy station is now closed

5.0 (11/01/23) Decay in the ash tree on the north boundary of the Nature Reserve. Land Registry have been contacted but there is no definitive map that would show ownership of the ash tree. The condition of the tree will be monitored closely for more signs of the trunk decay.

3.0 (29/03/23) Information / costings of possible pontoon, Peter Smith  
Action closed see attached options sheet

7.0 (29/03/23) Reed Pond water quality samples taken; report expected mid-May. Still awaiting the Report.

7.2 (29/03/23) Wildlife surveys will continue monthly from May onwards undertaken by Peter and Mark of Netherfield Wildlife Group.

10.0 (27/04/23) Perspex Information Board cleaning Action Treasurer

10.0 27/04/23 Flyer Display Cabinet: Secretary Action

12.1 27/04/23 LRPG Advert – placed in the May Parish Magazine Closed

12.4 27/04/23 Creation of safe havens – Sites been identified by Karen and Peter Smith- Action Closed

3.0 Nature Reserve Action Plan – review of planned actions

3.1 Condition of the ancient Ash Tree - North Boundary

The Treasurer had outreached to Land Registry and their map scaling could not ascertain if the tree was situated in our Reserve. The Committee agreed to keep monitoring the condition of the tree and if this deterioration occurred then we would outreach again to Katja Watmore and The Parish Council who are legally, the owners of the Reserve.

All to note.

3.2 Water Quality Report and Pond dip exercise report of species found

The Report expected in mid-May has not been received. Peter Smith requested a copy of the Report when received.

Action: The Secretary

4.0 Lambley Garage Sale – Fund Raising.

The event would be a walking event and was confirmed as the Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July.

An initial advert for the Garage Sale was included in the June Parish Magazine. After Sarah had outreached to local artist Dan Lord for the artwork design of the poster, however the artwork was blurred and, in some parts, extremely hard to read when printed in the Parish Magazine.

The Treasurer had produced a more comprehensive draft advert which was distributed in the Meeting.

The artist would be approached to make certain fonts larger and since the original flyer design we now had to remove all references to Sarah Rhodes including her mobile number. Action The Treasurer.

The Secretary kindly agreed for his name and mobile number to be substituted instead on the revised flyer. Action The Treasurer

The revised flyers would be printed locally and distributed on each of the Parish Noticeboards and in and around Lambley and at local business locations in the Parish.

The Secretary would be the first point of contact when a resident requested a table to be booked at their property. The information would be emailed to Dan Lord who would then include this location on his master plan.

The revised flyer would be advertised on our Reed Pond Facebook page and in "It's a Lambley Thing" and circulated to nearby villages and shops at Mapperley top and Farm Shops.

There may be possibilities of advertising on village lamp posts if we could laminate 20/30 flyers.

Information on bus times will be included and all visitors will be asked to be considerate to residents when parking.

The Parish Hall dance class organiser will be contacted by Kim Hogden to inform her there will be a greater level of traffic in the village on the day as will all the public house proprietors in the village.

A cut off date of Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July was suggested for the closing date when residents can request pitch locations for the event.

Dan Lord would be contacted to inform him and give him time to produce the final pitches map.

The next provisional subgroup Garage Sale Meeting will take place on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June subject to availability of Frances Newsham and village hall in the evening.

The Secretary to contact Frances Newsham and ask Kim to book the Village Hall 7pm

Action The Secretary and Kim

## 5.0 Possible options for donations at Nature Reserves.

Option A walkway around the pond was practically not a viable option as it would be contentious with our neighbour at Reed Pond House.

### Option B The Pond Dipping Viewing Platform

This is a costly option and may impact on the wildlife of the Pond. 5 to 9k and made of plastic composite material. Wooden platforms deteriorate and are now no longer viable.

### Option C The Boardwalk platform.

This is the most expensive option 8k to 12k and as the pond is not large it will inevitably impact on wildlife.

### Option D Replacement of Wooden Signs.

The Reserve need to replace these signs urgently – cost 1k

### Option E

The Reserve needs new or additional information boards to improve it and costs £500.

The Treasurer had already prepared a very comprehensive document with each option identified.

The environmental impact of each option would also be identified.

The Acting Chairperson Karen Hayter would present it to the Parish Council Meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> June.

See attached sheet for options A,B,C and D.

## 6.0 The Meadow Subgroup Plan.

Karen had already forwarded the plan of the meadow seed applied in November which included substantial amount of yellow rattle, buttercups and corncockle showing now.

### 6.1 Removal of Himalayan balsam in the Reserve

It has only been identified in the North meadow and North woodland.

### 6.2 Thistles will be removed from the South side of the pond and the area up to benches would be strimmed.

Action: Karen and The Secretary

## 7.0 Treasurers Report

The balance currently is 2047.08p but we have 2 outstanding liabilities unpaid when these are paid the figure is £1213.08p

The bank mandate for authorising officers will be held in abeyance due to unforeseen circumstances until after the AGM.

The Treasurer would prepare the Accounts for Eaton's for audit purposes in early August in preparation for the AGM.

The proposed expenditure will be printing costs / flyers for the Garage Sale and ingredients for food on the day.

## 8.0 Any Other Business

### 8.1 Wood Chippings delivered by National Grid

The wood chippings have now been delivered to the Reserve by National Grid.

The Committee decided to leave the chippings until we can purchase additional chippings from Andy Musson.

## 8.2 Information Board – Cleaning

The Treasurer would remove the perspex cover and try to clean it.

A notice would inform visitors why the perspex had been taken away.

If this is not feasible then try to purchase a replacement piece of perspex.

Action: The Treasurer

## 8.3 Wildlife Survey for Lambley Trinity Churchyard – early June

The Secretary would approach Peter Smith to ask him if he could do this Survey in early June instead of the Reed Pond Survey.

Action: The Secretary to outreach to Peter Smith.

## 8.4 New Chairperson: Due to unforeseen circumstances

Karen Hayter accepted the role of Chairperson for the Group.

## 9.0 Date of the next Meeting.

Provisionally Garage Sale Meeting on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm at the village hall.

The next Lambley Reed Pond Meeting will be held on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at 7pm in the village hall.

## Summary of Actions

Date	Item Number	Action	Action owner	Target date	comments
11/01/2023	3.0	Reposition life buoy station	Sec and Treasurer	w/c May 1st	Closed
01/06/2023	3.2	Original Report to P Smith	Secretary	08/06/2023	open
01/06/2023	6.2	Removal of thistles RP South	Chair / Sec	05/06/2023	open
29/03/2023	3.0	Information re pontoon construction	Pete Smith		Closed
29/03/2023	3.0	Proposals/option brief for walkway etc.	Treasurer	Next mtg	Open
29/03/2023	5.0	Ash tree – update	Sarah and Treasurer	Next mtg	Open
01/06/2023	4.0	Garage Sale Mtg contact Frances	Sec	Next mtg	open
29/03/2023	7.0	Enitial water quality check etc.	Sarah	Next mtg	Open
29/03/2023	7.2	Wildlife surveys	Pete Smith	On going	Open
01/06/2023	4.0	Advert revised	Treas	On going	Open
27/04/2023	4.0	Fund raising proposals	Christine, Sarah, and Gina	18 <sup>th</sup> May	Open
27/04/2023	5.0	Update LRPG bank account mandate	Treasurer		Closed
27/04/2023	7.0	Meadow subgroup tasks – May	Karen		Closed
27/04/2023	8.0	Remediation of meadow	Sarah		Closed
27/04/2023	9.0	Draft note re options for the reed pond e.g., pontoon	Treasurer		Closed

27/04/2023	10.0	Flyer display cabinet – indicative cost	Secretary	Next mtg	Open
27/04/2023	10a	Clean south information board Perspex	Treasurer		Closed
27/04/2023	11	Guided walks	Bonnie, Ian, and Peter		Closed
27/04/2023	12.1	LRPG advert	Secretary		Closed
27/04/2023	12.3	Reed pond water quality/pond dip for species – issue report	Sarah	Next mtg	Open
27/04/2023	12.4	Creation of safe havens in the Reserve	Karen, Bonnie, and Peter		Closed
01/06/2023	8.2	Noticeboard Cleaning	Treasurer	Next Mtg	Open
01/06/2023	8.3	Church Wildlife Survey	Sec	Next Mtg	Open