## Minutes of the Lambley Reed Pond Group Meeting

**On Tuesday 10th June 2025 at 7pm in Lambley Village Hall**.

**Present**

Committee:, Stephen Bird (SGB) Chair, Bonnie Bramwell (BB) Vice Chair, Steve Brett (SB), Christine Bridgett (CB), Ian Kassell (IK), Sarah Rhodes (SR), Karen Hayter (KAH) and Judith Clough (JC)

Apologies Gina Bajek, Len Harvey and Kim Hogden .

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| **Item Number** | **Description** | **Action /**  **Date** |
| **1.0** | The Minutes of the last meeting dated 13th May 2025 were accepted as a correct record subject to the following comments. |  |
| **1.1**  **1.2**  **1.3**  **2.0**  **2.1**  **2.2**  **3.0**  **4.0**  **5.0**  **6.0**  **7.0**  **8.0**  **8.1**  **8.2**  **8.3**  **8.4**  **9.0** | The Chair thanked BB for chairing the May Meeting in his absence.  (4.4) Benches yearly maintenance  The Chair clarified yearly maintenance would involve painting / oiling only.  (5.0) Management Strategy – SB clarified it was the Action Plan that needed updating and not the management strategy document following comments in the May meeting. The updated Action Plan was subsequently circulated on 14 May  (5.2) Monitoring Pond water levels and quality to be included in the monthly action plan. – I can’t recall this being discussed/agreed, if it was, who took the action to monitor/record the water level and water quality and how?  **Matters Arising**  Action Plan Update  The boundary fencing would be inspected prior to the sheep arriving – scheduled for August.  SGB asked if the Action Plan could move from an Annual format to a ‘rolling plan’, SB agreed to review for the next meeting.  Wilder Trent Landscapes Habitat Grant  The Chair informed the Committee this grant will not be repeated and the timescale for the work is December 2025, however the scope of the work was also negotiable.  The Committee agreed that the mapping of affected trees in the woodland bordering the pond would be undertaken by KAH, JC, and BB on 16th June, coordinating with SGB’s thinking.  Then a further meeting with Miriam from Notts Wildlife Trust will be organized before July. SGB agreed to contact Miriam after the mapping exercise.  KAH suggested LH as wildlife advisor should be consulted also.  **Treasurers Report**  SB reported that the current balance of the LRPG bank account was £2050.55p – this includes £516 for Quiz Tables up to present and £100 from an anonymous donation.  Expenditure – Arborist Woodland Survey £250  Current liabilities include:  1) throw line for reed cutting work)  2) Quiz spend  3) Stock proof fencing for the section of the east boundary, BB to finalise the arrangement with the PC and Andy Musson for insallation  **Pond – Report**  (4.1) Reed Cutting work programme would start again in October to December, weather permitting. Birds like moorhens may still be nesting in September.  (4.2) Balsam Pull  A date of Wednesday 18th June at 10am had been arranged to remove balsam from the edge of the pond in the North woodland and near the Northern hedging boundary.  **Hedges and boundaries**  There had been an agreement to supply a hybrid type access gate by the Parish Council to the owners of Reed Pond House which is noted in the Deeds. Andy Musson agreed to install the gate.  SB obtained a quote for the section of fencing/gate, subject to BB confirming the work/funding, SB will advise the contractor accordingly.    **Future Events**  Quiz – June 20th  at the Village Hall  Raffle prizes etc  **Feedback from the Information Group**  BB noted that all information Boards who have local sponsorship and advised that additional, copyright free photos are required. BB would email/message what’s required.  There would be an information Board for each of the following areas -:  The Northern Entrance Gate  The Fruit Orchard  Western Bench  Southern Bench  BB had negotiated a reciprocal deal with the Parish Council where Andy Musson would install all the Information Boards free of charge.  IK would contact the fruit tree suppliers to ask if we could use their tree photos of the orchard trees in exchange for sponsorship.  **Any Other Business**  Habitat Planting  Part of the grant application would be to introduce habitat plug plants – there would be a need for volunteers to plant these if we are successful in the application.  Offer of a ride on mower  SR informed the Meeting that a resident may offer a ride on mower to the Group. BB suggested it could be housed at Reed Pond House.  Community v Nature  CB had replied to the lady who had concerns we were encouraging the community at the expense of the local wildlife. CB noted the concerns, and the lady was invited to attend our last Reed Pond Meeting but declined.  Paperwork for the forthcoming AGM in September.  A suggested date of 23rd September for the 2025 AGM  (The Secretary would circulate details for the Election of Officers in August and forward a copy of the last AGM Minutes of 2024 and Agenda for this year’s AGM with these Minutes).    **The date of the next Meeting**  The Next Meeting of the Reed Pond Group would be held on Tuesday 8th July in the Village Hall Committee Room. | **KAH**  **SB**  **All to Note**  **SGB/BB**  **SGB**  **SR**  **GB**  **BB**  **KAH**  **BB/SB**  **BB**    **IK**  **All to Note**  **SR**  **IK** |