## Minutes of the Lambley Reed Pond Group Meeting

**On Tuesday 8th July 2025 at 7pm in Lambley Village Hall**.

**Present**

Committee:, Bonnie Bramwell (BB) Acting Chair, Steve Brett (SB), Christine Bridgett (CB), Ian Kassell (IK), Sarah Rhodes (SR), Karen Hayter (KAH), Gina Bajek (GB) and Judith Clough (JC)

Len Harvey (LH)

Apologies Stephen Bird and Kim Hogden.

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| **Item Number** | **Description** | **Action /**  **Date** |
| **1.0** | The Minutes of the last meeting dated 10th June 2025 were accepted as a correct record subject to the following comments. |  |
| **1.1**  **2.0**  **2.1**  **2.2**  **2.3**  **3.0**  **4.0**  **5.0**  **6.0**  **7.0**  **8.0**  **9.0**  **10.0**  **10.1**  **11.0**  **11.1**  **12.0** | Retiring Chair  Due to circumstances SGB has decided to step down from the role of Chair. SGB was thanked by (BB) and all the Committee for his work in the role and for his expertise. Stephen has agreed to continue being part of the Committee.  The Acting Deputy Chair (BB) has agreed to accept the role of Chair in the interim before the election of officers at the AGM in September.  (1.1) Benches yearly maintenance  There would be a yearly maintenance check to see that all benches are structurally sound.  **Matters Arising.**  Management Strategy –Revised Action Plan 2025/2026  SB agreed to update the Action Plan and distribute the revised document. He asked the Committee to review the draft document and feedback accordingly..  Pond water  It was noted that the pond and its low water level had been discussed generally. (see later item). Pond Sub-Group  Offer of a ride on mower  Gina Bajek noted that mower was no longer available  **Action Plan – July 2025**  Work Plan – BB informed the meeting that Andy Musson had offered to cut a pathway from the main path to the south benches.  He would also supply and install stock proof fencing bordering Reed Pond House east boundary prior to the sheep arriving in either late August or September.  BB noted that the Parish Council would supply a gate for Andy to install in the east boundary fence as above, and as per the Title Dees. – within the next 6 weeks.  KAH noted that there were 4 or 5 posts in need of attention on the western boundary. SB and KAH will action  SB requested indication of costs for the work to be done by Andy Musson.  BB agreed to request this information from Andy and advised that the costs of the boundary fence work would be 50:50 split between the Parish Council and LRPG.  **Treasurers Report**  SB reported that the proceeds from the Quiz were £2316, and the expenditure was £475.01p – profit was £1840.99p  The balance of the RP account stands at £5656.84p, which includes a £1000 donation from the Lambley village show organisers in 2024 and the sponsorship funds for of 3 out of 4 other information boards to be purchased for the reserve.  Outstanding liabilities; Throw Line (SR to advise) and cost of work by Andy Musson (item 3.0 refers)CB also requested funding for the replacement of out-of-date bandages / dressings in the first aid box, this was agreed  The Treasurer urged all volunteers and committee organisers to log their volunteering hours for our records. IK was requested to include this as a standard agenda item.  **Wilder Trent Project – update**  Since the 16th June Meeting with Miriam of NWT – BB/JC/KAH and Len Harvey had met on site to mark and identify trees for removal in the woodland, thereby updating the original scope of work outlined in our successful grant application .    LH will forward a list of pond marginals and woodland shrubs, plants and bulbs to BB for inclusion in the overall plan/scope. He cautioned against planting waterside marginals in the winter period.  From a governance perspective, Miriam has requested the full details and scope of the work by July 21st, noting that the grant work had to be completed by December this Year.  Our Constitution requires 3 quotations must be obtained from contractors who have worked with NWT. Russell Critchley would be invited to re-quote for the work.  SB will assist with the contractors/scope of work as needed.    **Information Boards**  BB had now secured sponsorship funding for all the information boards. The printers required the design / colours etc and all the photos had been agreed. The orchard tree nurseries had given their permission to use their fruit photos. BB will circulated the format for the 4 boards  **Pond**  The Committee agreed to initiate a Pond Sub-Group which consisted of SR/CB/GB/LH. They would be outreaching Ben Driver of NWT who may be able to source funding.  **Hedges and Boundaries**  SB as a matter of courtesy would inform Steve Rose following confirmation by BB that Andy Musson would install the eastern fencing.  **Feedback from the Information Group**  All matters discussed earlier for information boards.  **Future Events**  Village Show – Stall on Saturday Sept 6th 2025, GB will follow up with the show organisers  Helpers were needed at the stall and suggestions for activities were face painting, bran tub, tombola and key rings etc.  **Any Other Business**  Amendments to the Constitution by Committee members  Any amendments you wish to see to the Constitution must be provided in writing to the Secretary by 4th August 2025.  **The date of the next Meeting**  The Next Meeting of the Reed Pond Group would be held on Tuesday 12th August in the Village Hall Committee Room at 7pm. | **All to Note**  **SB/KAH**  **BB**  **SR**  **CB**  **IK**  **KAH/BB/**  **CB/LH**  **BB**  **BB**  **SB**  **All to Note**  **SB**  **GB** |