

WAINGROVES COMMUNITY WOODLAND TRUST

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Thorn Tree : 30 November 2016 7.30 pm

Persons Present

Rob Vane (Chairman)		Paul Cox (Treasurer) HT
Peter Chamberlain (Heritage)		Craig Plunket (Business Advisor)
Dave Pountain (Lottery) HT		Shaun Walters (Conservation)
Tony Blount	Shirley Bailey	Phill Woodman
Tom Strickland	Roger Vane	Mike Swinhoe
Sam Vane	Amy Bradley	

Apologies

Spencer Stanway (President) HT		Margret Chamberlain (Heritage)
Andy Hall (Secretary)	Rob Hodgson	Chris Emmas-Williams
John Stamp HT		

Minutes of the last Meeting (Matters Arising):

There were several matters arising:

TB asked what was happening regarding Gift Voucher and Letter of Thanks to JS. CP said a presentation would be made at the Monday Club BBQ.

RV has all info needed on bird food.

AGM will be on 29 March

It was proposed by RV and seconded by DP that SV be co-opted to be Fund Raising Coordinator.

It was proposed by DP and seconded by SW that the Minutes be accepted.

MICRO MEETING UPDATE

RV and SW held a meeting at Waingroves Hall with others and members of the Council regarding Water Levels. A letter of complaint to DCC was organised. The contractors are under an obligation to get water running again but do not want to.

Wassail Craft 2.00pm to 4.00pm – Refreshments and Bar 4.00pm to 6.00pm – Procession 6.00pm to 7.00pm.

ORIANTEERING COURSE FEED BACK

RV thanked the volunteers especially PW (who located 2 missing children). A feedback and review will be held with the Schools on 9 January at 8.00pm at the Thorn Tree. As many as possible to attend. The Trophy is to be called ' The John Stamp Trophy '.

INSURANCE

A quotation obtained by Les Warren's group from Zurich Insurance was £135 – considerably less than what we pay.

A meeting has been arranged on 5 December at the Marquis of Ormonde at 2.00pm. CP, RV, SW and TB to attend together with Les Warren.

COMMUNITY DEFIBULATOR UNIT

Letter to Western Power re site in wood. AB has raised £645. British Heart Foundation says we can apply for a grant from East Ambulance Service. Chapel not yet confirmed.

MEETINGS

Forest Town Nature Conservation Group – RV and SW invited to attend.

Fiona Rushbrook needs meeting – RV and CP to meet with her.
Monday Group BBQ – 19 Dec 9.30am

LEAFLET AND USER GROUP PACK

RV has started but not yet completed.

SAFETY MANAGEMENT

CP together with any interested trustee's will be doing a walk round the Woods on Saturday 10 December. Meet at the Amphitheatre at 9.30am.

Branch hanging down near blue gate Pcox will investigate.

ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOR

CP reported that someone has been defecating in the Whitely plantation area. Dog fouling has become a problem. We will discuss a proposed sign 'Dogs on Leads' at the next meeting.

MONDAY GROUP ROLLING WORK PLAN

A number of jobs have been completed including the erection of the Christmas Trees. Next Monday will be bird feeders and firewood.

SATURDAY GROUP ROLLING WORK PLAN

First meeting will be on Saturday 28 January 2017. Meet at the Amphitheatre at 9.30am. Need to look at child participation.

FUND RAISING REPORT / EVENTS (INC FIREWOOD)

SV ink cartridges gone. Stamps – need larger quantity to sell. Cloths – need 8/10 bags to sell (currently have 4). On line shop – being developed. Val Needham has made some items to sell (look into embellishing with Logo. Two bags of firewood to Thorn tree.

CONSERVATION / NATURE REPORT (To include Water Levels)

It's been a month of change as Autumn moves to Winter. The mild October meant that many trees were still in full leaf and laden with berries and nuts well into November. Winter thrushes such as Redwing and Fieldfare have been seen in good numbers although have not stayed long. There has been an influx of Waxwing into the country and sightings have been as close as ½ miles away. None have been spotted in our hedgerows but if we encourage them to bear fruit (particularly Rowan berries) we could be more successful in future.

November has been good for woodland fungi although recent cold conditions have finished their season.

The Willow tit have been seen in the wetland area which is great as they do not fly over open ground. They have probably made their way up Railway walk. The work carried out at the bottom end of Strelly wood could reduce their suitable habitat and I recommend installing more Birch stumps in the area we now manage on behalf of Derek and Lesley Roworth.

We have been working with East Midland Butterfly Conservation to protect the White Letter Hairstreak they identified in the Elm trees near the Whiteley plantation. Jim Steele, conservation officer, kindly donated a Columella Elm on their behalf and also purchased 5 Sapporo Autumn Gold Elms at discounted rates on our behalf. These are disease resistant. Jim also delivered them and advised on planting one of the wettest days of the year. SW to ask AH to send a letter of thanks.

We need to be thinking about wetland sluice / dam asap. Micro meeting to be arranged on 30 January.

CALENDAR

Sales were £1075 and costs £660 leaving a profit for trust funds of £415. There is a pack of 10 for Committee use.

NEWS LETTER / WEB SITE / FACEBOOK

Nothing to report.

LOTTERY

We now have 269 members. The winners for Nov / Dec March are:

	November	December
£30	127 John Stamp	13 Peter Chamberlain
£20	131 Lyn Skinner	163 Ann Haddon
£10	71 Don Clarke	101 John Cox

£5 winners for November were 101 John Cox, 163 Ann Haddon, 45 Catlin Blythin and 212 Rick Symons. And for December 15 Margret Meakin, 170 Vicky Lavender, 193 Philip Bradley and 21 Jane Sheldon.

TREASURERS REPORT

Pcox gave the following movements in funds since the last meeting:

	BANK	CASH	TOTAL
Opening Balance	7055	574	7629
Income			
Lottery	430	290	720
Donation	10	10	20
Calendars		545	545
Logs		50	50
Pumpkin Parade		89	89
Key Rings		11	11
Expenditure			
Lottery		160	160
Safety Equipment		96	96
Pumpkin kits		20	20
Stop Watches		55	55
Clip boards		7	7
Moss Office Services		18	18
Hand Wipes		1	1
Batteries		6	6
Wire		10	10
Elm Trees		66	66
Two Gazebo		120	120
Engraving Trophy		13	13
Balance Carried Forward	7495	997	8493

Next Month Free Cash

Balance as above		8493
Minimum reserve	3000	
Tent	1000	4000
Free Cash		4493

SECRETARYS REPORT

Nothing to report

BANK SIGNETRY

Pcox has the Mandates and will see SS about signing.

ID CARDS / DBS CHECKS AND FIRST AID

Water Side Care would carry out First Aid training for £300.

Amber Valley CVS, We not doing passport training this year.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Donation From Mr A Daniel of £50.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 25 January 2017