

Minutes Taken from Colwinston Ford Project Meeting – 14th June 2022

PRESENT

Richard Gibb (RG) Alan Carr (AC) Miles Davies (MD) Noni Bates (NB) Liz Stone (LS)
Ed Lewis (EL) Carl Hadley (CH) Julia Olson (JO) Cynthia Gibb (CG) Nia Davies (ND)
Pamela Haines (PH)

APOLOGIES

Julie Lloyd (JL) Jo Foxall (JF)

Matters Arising FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Bank account can't be formalised until group has been formed **(RG)**

Need Public Liability Insurance.

£120 = £2m Public Liability Insurance **(AC)**

Group agrees that this seems low **(All)**

If we take ownership of the land, we take responsibility

We have been given £500 by the Community Council to get the group running. **(EL)**

We are being given £5,000 per year for general upkeep.

Richard Gibb asked whether more trustees are needed? We decided to keep to 4 people.

David Viera needs to set up the bank account to formally set up the group.

We vote and the motion is carried to formally get a bank account and create the group **(All)**

Willows may need to be trimmed quite often as they are near the power lines.

COMMUNICATIONS (Recap of May's meeting)

Treasure Hunt will go to the Old Ford site

Ceri Hoffrock referred Liz Stone back to the list Rhian Cleaver put together. Liz hasn't been privy to the list.

The school is trying to get its own green area in use. Ceri's mind is not on the Old Ford Project currently **(LS)**

Use Facebook page and CCC website. We have a good community council website.

CLAPPER BRIDGE (Recap of May's meeting)

Many thanks to Noni and Geoff Bates for the wonderful Memorial bench **(All)**

BULBS (Recap of May's meeting)

Company providing the bulbs has not responded to Cynthia's emails. Cynthia will continue to chase them **(CG)**

Cynthia will order from the website and pay for the bulbs **(CG)**

POND MANAGEMENT (Recap of May's meeting)

Pond is looking good **(EL)**

MINUTES OF MEETING 14TH JUNE

BANK ACCOUNT

We need bank account and Ed will chase **(EL)**

Need 2 signatures for the bank account

MANAGEMENT OF WELL

Johnny will be here in a few weeks to do work on the well and the stone wall **(EL)**

WOODLAND UPDATE

Seeking 2 quotes for October

Cardiff Volunteers are willing to help on Sundays in October

Tree Surgeons will take the trees down in October and we need to decide what to do with the timber **(All)**

Need more chippings, ask Tree Surgeons to leave chippings behind so we can use them **(RG/EL)**

WORKING PARTY

We have brambles and thistles to clear from the path and hedge and Himalayan Balsam from the ditch **(RG)**

Need to get the lane strimmed

Carl Hadley and Alan Carr have strimmers **(CH/AC)**

We will have an open meeting for all to update on activities and demonstrate environment credentials **(RG)**

Need to make signs to show what the flowers/plants are at the site **(LS/NB/CG/JO)**

Working party taking place Sunday 17th June 10:30am

A "botanist" Janet Rogers from WI will be contacted by Nia **(ND)**

FUTURE

Forest School Projects

Need an area to create a log circle for children to sit around **(LS)**

We could mark trees with ribbons to make it more interactive and give the children boundaries **(LS)**

Circle needs to be away from the road

Lane Closure

Road by the church/The Vines will be closed from 25th July to Mid-August

We need to see what they are going to do.

Persimmon have got a contractor doing the job (We assume it is Jewell Contractor)

Must make sure they do not damage the Ford area

The ditch on the Ford site is overgrown and needs to be addressed later in the summer
We will need a professional risk assessment and signs to warn public of the risks **(PH)**
We need a list of the annual list of jobs that need to be carried out
The insurance company may need to come to the site to conduct an in-depth risk assessment
Get the signs that show what plants and flowers are present laminated
More seating/ benches will be needed around the pond and wildflower areas
We can buy gabions as bases for seats with timber running across them
1 Gabion = £105 (1.50m or 5 foot)
1 Small Gabion = £58.48 (45cm or 1.5 foot)
Alternatively we use logs (tree trunks) instead of gabions.
Bridge over Colwinston Brooke design required to determine timber size

COMMUNICATION

Put information relating to the Open Meeting Old Ford project in the newsletter **(17th July)**
Supply information to Jo Foxall to put this information in the newsletter **(RG)**
Carl will update the website **(CH)**

Any Other Business (AOB)

- None

Next meeting Tuesday 12th July at 6:30pm at Old Ford Project site - weather permitting