

COFTON LAKE CONSERVATION LTD  
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

PRESENT: Diane Carr – Secretary/Director  
Sue Garvey – Treasurer/Director  
Colin Jones – Director  
John Owen – Director  
Katie & Mark Bradley  
Dave Townshend – Director/White Swan Piscatorials  
Geoff Smith – White Swan Piscatorials

APPOLOGIES: Ian Marson – White Swan Piscatorials  
Simon Munn – Web Site

1) DRAFT ACCOUNTS:

The draft accounts had been received from the Accountant and were approved and it was agreed that they will be put on the web site.

2) BOUNDARIES:

It had been reported that some residents had taken their hedges out at the rear of their garden and it was agreed that they be asked to reinstate.

3) GRASS CUTTING/TREE MAINTENANCE:

Treasurer reported that the cost of grass cutting had increased by £1 per cut – the committee agreed to this increase. It was also agreed that more trees are in need of pruning and this to be carried out when the weather improves.

4) FLOATING ISLANDS:

It was reported that these islands had been an eyesore from the outset and it was hoped that something could finally be done to rectify them this coming season. The fishing club representatives did state that they would have done this sooner had it not been for the fact that the lake had had to be drained once again. Colin did point out that he had found an internet site stating that larger islands were more beneficial than lots of small ones. The fishing club said they would bring this up at their next meeting with a view to maybe joining say 2/3 together.

5) REPAIRS:

Although the repairs to the sluice were officially completed by the contractor before Christmas, it was found that due to the amount of silt on the lake bed the gates could not be properly closed. Geoff Smith also pointed out that there were problems with the top valve. These problems had been reported to British Waterways and we are awaiting their reply. The fishing club pointed out that the fish need to be returned to the lake by mid April.

6) A.G.M:

The AGM is booked for Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 4.00 at Cofton Hackett Village Hall. It was agreed that Mr. Laurence Tall the representative from British Waterways be invited.

7) NEXT MEETING: To be arranged