

**Cofton Lake Conservation Limited**  
**Minutes of meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2013**

Present: Diane Carr – Chairman/Director  
Sue Garvey – Treasurer/Director  
Dr. John Owen – Director  
Colin Jones – Director  
Paul Whitby, Committee Member  
Irene Barclay, Committee Member  
Dave Townshend, White Swan Piscatorials  
Geoff Smith, White Swan Piscatorials  
Roger Bishop – Grass Cutter

1) Disabled Fishing Bay:

Considerable discussion took place regarding the positioning of the disabled fishing bay. Although it was agreed at the AGM that a disabled fishing bay could be erected, the exact position was not established. The Fishing Club agreed that they would pay for this work to be carried out subject to a grant being available. A sketch was produced by the fishing club showing a 3-ft pathway from the car park area up to the notice board which would then zig zag down to the lower pathway. A quote of £4500 for this work had been received from Roger Bishop. Once this pathway is complete they propose building 4 disabled fishing pegs.

The Committee had asked advice from SAT Groundworks – Specialists who work for the Council building disabled accesses ramps and roads. Their recommendation was to build a ramp directly from the car park and utilize the already built jetty. This ramp could continue towards the dam where a further fishing bay could be erected.

“Job description excavate existing grass slope using a 3 ton machine to a depth of 200mm to obtain suitable grade approx (1 in 12) footpath width would be approx 1.7 metres wide and 18 metres long for the top car park constructed with timber edgings at the side to contain approx 150mm of compacted stone and resurfaced with 6mm tarmac at a depth of 60mm for a fine hand laid finish.  
All spoil will be moved from site. Work area and site will be left clean and tidy on completion, all work guaranteed.

Price £3187. + Vat “

This quotation was given to the fishing club for their consideration at their next committee meeting. They did however point out that a grant for this work had not yet been finally approved.

Committee to contact local authority to find out the rules regarding disabled access.

Although the fishing club have their own public liability insurance cover this will only apply to their members. Therefore the Committee to contact their own insurance company to see if a disabled pathway and fishing peg would in any way affect the current policy.

## 2) Pathways/Maintenance :

Work had started on the maintenance programme at a cost of £320 per day for 3 men. Dangerous trees had been cut down and cut into small logs and undergrowth had been cut back, shredded and put on to the pathways. It was agreed that they work again in August for a further day and possibly continue until the whole lake area has been worked on.

## 3) Islands:

The Fishing Club reported that the remaining islands would be put together and possibly replanted. The Committee stated that the two islands near the dam that had already been replanted were a great success.

## 4) Memorandum and Articles of Association:

According to the Memorandum and Articles of Association the subs for the lake are due from the date of the AGM until the 1<sup>st</sup> January in the following year. Anyone not paying in this period would have their share cancelled and made null and void.

## 5) Next Meeting:

To be arranged at a later date.