

## COFTON LAKE CONSERVATION LTD

### MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2015

PRESENT: Diane Carr, Director/ Chairman  
Sue Garvey, Director/Treasurer  
Paul Whitby, Director  
Kate Bradley  
Dave Townshend, Director/White Swan

Piscatorials

Geoff Smith, Director/White Swan Piscatorials

APOLOGIES: Irene Barclay  
John Owen

1) General Maintenance: The Fishing Club had agreed to purchase the strimmer and chain saw from CLCL in the sum of £250. It was suggested that a smaller strimmer be purchased and Paul Whitby had offered to use it to strim the boardwalk and another couple of places around the lake as and when needed. Insurance company had looked into the matter of public liability insurance but had stated that so long as anyone using the strimmer is supplied with goggles, gloves and safety equipment, they will be covered. This to be obtained in writing.

2) Proposed Boardwalk Extension: It had been suggested that a pathway/boardwalk be erected from the existing boardwalk along the boundary of Muriels Marsh. This would enable the new members backing onto the lake from the top of Reservoir Road and Barnt Green Road to gain access to the lake area and would also define our boundary. We know parts of this area are very boggy so some form of boardwalk would be needed. Geoff Smith to ask Steve (he built the handrails) for a rough idea of cost once the committee have established the exact route.

Committee to try and walk around the area sometime in the near future - date to be agreed.

3) Bulb Planting: It was decided that no bulbs be planted this year. To be put on hold once the second year blooms have flowered and this to be looked into again next year.

4) Date for AGM Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April 4.00 pm - same venue.

5) Vacancy on Committee: Since the resignation of Vince there is now a vacancy on the committee. It was agreed to keep this post open for the time being and to be brought up at the AGM.

6) A.O.B.

- Dave Townshend pointed out that once again dog fouling was a problem. 2 residents who back onto the lake constantly let their dogs roam the lake area unattended. Letters to be sent to both parties.
- When Insurance Company is contacted re strimming, it was also asked if we can ascertain how many life rings are needed for a lake of this size.
- A facebook page had been set up and so far had had 38 likes. Simon Munn who runs our web site to be asked if it is possible to form a 'Group Facebook' for members only.
- More chippings had been delivered. A working party has been arranged for Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October - 9.00 am in the car park.

NEXT MEETING TO BE ARRANGED: