



The Friends of King's Wood

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held 7pm 10 May 2010

Present

Diana Sawyer (DS)
Mick Hughes (MH)
Gaynor O'Connell (GO)
Jon Shelton (JS)
Wendy Hogg (WH)

Apologies

Sophie Walkden (SW)
Simon Cavell (SC)
Helen Cavell (HC)
Forestry Commission (FC) - Dan Jennings (DJ)
Stour Valley Arts (SVA)

Minutes

a) Accuracy

Deferred to the 14th June 2010 committee meeting (SC).

b) Matters arising

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Agenda

a) Chairman's Report (DS)

DS thanked everyone for the envelope stuffing evening especially HC & SC for supper.
WH, SW, GS and MS were thanked for the Pond Surveys.
Mick and Gaynor for their happy wedding festivities we enjoyed.
MS & SW were thanked for being walk leaders.

b) Treasurer's report (SW)

Deferred to the 14th June 2010 committee meeting (SW).



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c) Membership report (SC)

Deferred to the 14th June 2010 committee meeting (SC).

d) Stour Valley Arts

DS tabled a report that gave details of the SVA Education Programme, Commissions/Exhibitions and gave advance notice of SVA Summer Picnic on Thursday 24th June.

e) Kentish Stour Countryside Partnership Update (JS)

Dan Salter was covering Debbie Adams' maternity leave.

f) Forestry Commission Update

DJ had rung DS with an update from Steve McCarthy that there was no money for forest improvements other than cutting the ride verges. Complimentary tickets were given to Committee Members for Bedgebury car park.

g) Awards for All

JS had produced two different sized leaflet drafts for discussion plus notes that he tabled. DS said she preferred original title of Explore and Enjoy as this had been used when applying to AfA. The new suggestion of Walks from the Villages seemed less embracing when targeting people from the Ashford, Faversham and Canterbury areas, although could be used as a sub-heading. Size to remain as A1 ?? folded to one third A4 to fit into conventional sized leaflet boxes in TICs/pubs etc. SVA section to be omitted (although its logo could appear under Useful Contacts) and Slip, Slap, Slop to be included. Different wording to replace "criminal activity" as it gives the wrong impression of KW. JS did not think small businesses/pubs would mind being included, either by a symbol and key on the map, alternatively it may be possible to include small photos directly onto the map. JS advised that written permission should be sought from the Landlord of the George, Godmersham Village Hall and Church about inclusion of their parking facilities (DS).

The next step was to complete the first draft with dates/timescales for the various items on the AfA bid, as the project must be completed by the 24th February 2011, including the encashment of any cheques.(DS/JS/committee)

DS advised that we should aim to have the leaflet available for the AGM on the 8th November 2010.



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h) Discovering Places Weekend 23rd-25th July 2010

DS had been asked if the Friends would like arrange an event/s to mark the start of the two year countdown for the Olympic/Paralympic Games in 2012. She mentioned various possibilities that the Committee supported. JS said KSCP had too many commitments to be involved.

i) Walks and Events

Mini –Beasts	16 th May	GS, MS, DS
Bat Walk*	29 th May	HC, SC, SW, DS (Halfway House tbb)
Churring Nightjars	9 th June	HC, SC, SW, WH, DS (Halfway House tbb)
Boughton Aluph Fete	12 th June	GS, MS, DS

*New date to be fixed with Jules as she was ill on 29/5

AOB

a) Phillips Fund

SW had heard from the Phillips Fund that had commented on the “winding up” clause in the Friends’ Constitution but had said to apply anyway for a grant to repair the puddling of the blue Land Rover pond.

b) Raffle prizes

The Committee agreed with DS suggestion that a 2010 membership be offered as a raffle prize the Boughton Aluph Fayre and another one at the Kennington Fete.

Actions

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Next meeting

Monday 14 June 2010, 7pm