

Frieze Hill Community Orchard

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NOTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STEERING GROUP

Wednesday 15th December 2004

Present: Linda Conway, Roger Conway, Mary Bagshawe, Maurice Jordan and Kate Redgate

Apologies: Margaret Gibson (Chairperson), Tony James and Ross Friend

Roger Conway took the Chair

Minutes of previous meeting – Agreed, signed

111. Trees (101.1)

MB reported that Scotts had acknowledged receipt of the tree order and asked for a delivery date. It was agreed to plant on Saturday 22 January. MB would contact Scotts. KR would contact Dave Topham who had helped with the original planting and LAC would contact TJ regarding the borrowing of his son's "stake thumper". Alupro had planted their nut trees as a copse, the MP had attended and the Press were in attendance. On this occasion several members had seen the Certificate designed by RF, which was most attractive and appropriate. RC had produced a grid reference of each tree so that this could be entered on the certificate. MJ suggested that a list of dedicated trees could be put up on the web.

112. Development and Management

112.1 Weeding (102.2) KR reported that, with the dying back of the grass, she had started to weed the hedge. It was agreed that when members had some time, this and the base of the trees should be done. LAC said that some of the tree ties should be loosened off to allow the roots to start to take the strain. MB agreed.

113. Hard Landscaping (103)

MG had informed LC that she had made contact with Lin Avery and agreed a meeting on site on Saturday 18 December at 12.15pm. LA would then let MG have a price for the design. She would then price the work once funding had been obtained. MG had suggested that further Quotes be obtained (regarding applying for funding) and this was supported. It was agreed that LC approach TJ's son and Freda Storey - both of whom are designers - and try to obtain quotes by the next meeting (26 January 05).

114. Licence (104)

There was no further progress to report

115. Membership (105)

RC updated the meeting.

116. Social Events and Communications

116.1 Wassail (106.2) Arrangements were discussed. RC stated that he hoped it might be possible to perform the Mummers play. He would also contact Adrian Stallard regarding the Shot Gun. RF had, at a previous meeting, mentioned a gazebo and it was felt that this should be erected. MJ would be i/c the bonfire. MG had not yet been able to produce the Newsletter, but it was felt that this should go out during the week between Christmas and New Year.

117. Web Site (108)

The web site had been updated but it was suggested that the GPS survey should be added. This was agreed.

118. Forthcoming AGM (110)

It was agreed that final arrangements should be made at the next meeting regarding speakers and venue. For speakers RC suggested June and Robin Small and KR suggested someone from English Nature. MB suggested the Friends Meeting House for the venue.

Date of next meeting - Wednesday 26 January at 7pm at 18 Roughmoor Cottages

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.05 pm