

FRIEZE HILL COMMUNITY ORCHARD

NOTES OF A MEETING OF THE STEERING GROUP - 6 JULY 2006

Present: Margaret Gibson (Chairperson), Mary Bagshawe, Linda Conway, Roger Conway,
Geraldine Moses, Kate Redgate and Joyce Thomas

Apologies: Ross Friend

Previous Meeting - no notes taken of meeting

The chairperson opened the meeting by extending good wishes and happiness to GM on her engagement

179 FINANCE (173)

RC reported that membership was down on the previous year. It was agreed that there should be a family membership (same address) of £15 from 2007 renewal date.

There had been no movement on the bank account other than 28p interest having been paid.

MB had bought new tree labels and there would be £250 to pay for insurance nearer the end of the year.

180 INFORMATION BOARD

MG reported that Barbara Collier (TDBC) had been in touch with her again regarding the Notice Board and some funding that she had available. The general feeling was that the Group would like to choose the design and LC agreed to visit Bridgwater to discuss this

181 CYCLE PATH (145)

RC reported that the Highways department now had funding to start the E/W relief road joining Staplegrove Road in 2009. This might affect the Orchard

182 DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT (174)

Ragwort a problem again. It was agreed that a notice should be put on the board encouraging everyone to pull this

The hedge needed some weeding and depending on how soon there was some rain to soften the ground this could also be started

MB reported that a couple of trees were not 'happy', it was felt that this was probably due to lack of rain

DLO were cutting the grass

MG reported that Dilly Bradley (who had been a great support) had moved to Waste. MG would write to her replacement

183 GREEN FLAG AWARD (167)

No action had been taken on this

184 SOCIAL EVENTS (172)

Strawberries and Cream (scones and strawberry jam) to be supplied up on the Orchard. Own drinks - Sunday 20 August 3.30pm

Apple Day - 8 October

Wassail - 13 January 2007

Date of next meeting - Wednesday 16th August at 18 Roughmoor Cottages

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30pm

The Meeting on 16th August was cancelled but MB wished to report that

- *a couple of the trees appeared to be dead but she felt that this was probably due to the lack of rain this year and last and there was nothing that could be done about them*
- *ragwort had been cut by DLO*
- *weeding needed to be done around the base of the trees and the hedge but this would need to wait until after rain*
- *RMC reports that 58 members have renewed their membership for 2006.*

Date of next Meeting:- Wednesday 27th September 2006 at 18 Roughmoor Cotts.