



Greening Galleywood-

Placing wildlife in the heart of a parish

Minutes of the Greening Galleywood Committee

Wednesday 13 February 2008 10.30 am

The Lodge Room Keene Hall Galleywood

Present: Cllr's Bob Villa, John Turkentine, Steve Plumb, Ms Gen Broad,
Mrs Ann Whalley, Tony Rouy Malcolm Stuart.

1.0 Appointment of a minute taker

Cllr John Turkentine volunteered to take the minutes.

2.0 Apologies for absence

Received from Chris Moles and Ian Wakefield.

3.0 Minutes of meeting held on 5th December 2007 and Matters arising

3.1 Apologies Corrected to add Anne Whalley. Minutes agreed and signed by the Chairman.

3.2 Hedge Planting Galleywood Brook, Parklands Farm started Sunday, 9 February 2008. Approximately one third completed.

3.3 Raking and strimming Twitten Green, to take place on the 27 of February 2008. Canes and rabbit guards for hedge planting at St Michaels's Churchyard purchased and delivered to Cllr Bob Villa for storage until required.

3.4 A12 Wood Land Owner has refused permission for work on A12 Wood, and this site will be removed from list. Still have not approached owner of land at Brook Farm. *Action Steve Plumb.*

3.5 Great Crested Newt Survey Still awaiting report.

3.6 Tree Coppicing tutorial Keene Hall and Parkland Farm on the 27 of January 2008, led by Jonathan Tyler. Also a further tutorial on the subject of Hedge planting had taken place on the 10 of February 2008, at Galleywood Brook, led by Steve Plumb.

3.7 Bird Survey Continuing, completion by end of March 2008.

3.8 Final Report and Hedge Mapping Survey Conducted by Princes Trust still in progress, completion anticipated September 2008.

3.9 Geology Survey Malcolm Stuart advised that he had prepared a brief for a Geology survey to be carried out, by the Princes Trust. He is currently waiting information whether or not they will be accepting the Project.

4.0 Correspondence

None

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5.0 Programme

The programme was reviewed in detail and amendments agreed (as attached appendix.)

6.0 Publicity

6.1 Research design and production of interpretation boards – *Action Gen Broad.*

6.2 PowerPoint presentation given to the RCCE by the Chairman as a case study for their Going Green seminars. The presentation is available for use at further public events. *Action Cllr Turkentine to e-mail latest version Tony Rouy.*

6.3 Volunteers Still no volunteers have come forward to video events. Photos collection being collected to publicise future events and for use in the final report.

6.4 BBC website is being updated with public events and Parish Council website content for Greening Galleywood to be reviewed. *Action Cllr Turkentine.*

6.5 Spring Grapevine Material required for the Spring Grapevine, copy deadline 17 March 2008. *Action All.* To consider an inserted flyer to be funded by the project.

6.6 Google Earth Information and action on maps using Google Earth has been forwarded to Åsa Pamphilon and work is in hand to devise two greening Galleywood walks, proposed for the Whitsun and Spring bank Holiday events, 5 and 26 May 2008 respectively. Draft of map walk leaflet received from Åsa Pamphilon for first of two walks, passed to Malcolm Stuart for comments.

7.0 Training

7.1 Training for the Committee members has been well received and found beneficial in understand the various techniques by those attending.

7.2 There has been a continuing poor response from volunteers to the arranged training events. Urgent review to be undertaken of the adequacy of the publicity, and/or choice of day/venue/subject. *Action: Steve Plumb, to produce a list of activity and preferred dates.*

8.0 Schools

8.1 St Michaels Churchyard Thriftwood School have been working in St Michaels Churchyard on Tuesday mornings for the past 4 weeks, and have made a significant contribution in cutting down and clearing Laurel. They will now help to complete the hedge planting by Galleywood Brook, Parklands Farm. Work on the Pond at Galleywood Infants School to start shortly. CBC has been hired to dig out the pond on 1 and 2 March 2008.

8.2 Grant update Steve Plumb advised that the application for a grant from “Awards for all” has been successful.

8.3 Bird boxes have been supplied and fitted – one at the School - two on BR 29 and the remainder on the Common.

8.4 Wild Flowers plugs to be planted on Twitten Green by school children on Tuesday 4 March 2008. Mark Iley (EWT).

9.0 Finance

9.1 Bills paid since December 5 2007 meeting to date ratified and statement signed by the Chairman.

9.2 Orders Placed bare root hedging, cane and rabbit guard, for the Galleywood Brook key site and additional canes and rabbits guards for St Michael's Churchyard key site. The Chairman subsequently took delivery on Friday 8 February 2008. Order also placed for wildflower plugs for Twitten Green key site, delivery pending.

9.3 Statement of Accounts tabled showing a cumulative balance of £5,293. The Chairman explained that we would need to indent for the next 45% of the lottery grant within the next reporting period.

9.4 Revised Budget The Chairman tabled a revised budget for the remaining 12 selected key sites. (See appendix B).

9.5 In-Kind logs are requested from all Committee members for the period September to 2007. An updated Gantt chart is also required to enable the quarterly report can be completed before the end of February. *Action All.*

10. Volunteers

10.1 The Volunteers and Committee contact details require be reviewing and updating. *Action Assistant Clerk and Cllrs Villa and Turkentine.*

10.2 Discussions ensued on how and which other volunteer groups could be encouraged to support Greening Galleywood. All Ideas to be forwarded to the Chairman.

11. Any other Business

None.

12. Date of next meeting

Wednesday, 2 April 2008, The Lodge Room at 10.30am.

*There being no further business to be transacted,
The Chairman closed the meeting at 12.40pm
Minutes taken by Cllr John Turkentine, Chairman to Galleywood Parish Council*

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(Signed, Chairman on 2 April 2008)