

FRIENDS OF NAPHILL COMMON

COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 18

22nd February 2011

1. Attendees

Trevor Hussey, Philip Hussey, Peter Davis, Kevin Bennett, Stephanie Morgan, Marek Pawlik, David Greenwood, Peggy Ewart

2. Apologies

Steve Rodrick, Ron Collins, Daisy Leek

3. Previous minutes and matters arising

- Item 3; the clumps rubbish has now been burnt
- Item 4; Peggy has kindly agree to stay as Treasurer
- Item 9; we have donated £250 to the Chilterns Commons Project.
- Item 9; Sir Edward has written back to confirm the Common is leased just to Mr Fincken, this lease runs until 2014.
- No further matters arising
- The minutes of Meeting 17 were accepted and approved.

4. Treasurer's report

All agreed with Peggy's decision to buy a bottle of wine for auditor of our accounts, John Harris.

£1658.52 income including money brought forward from 2010
(£1018 income this year to date)

£130.42 expenses

£1528.10 balance

5. Membership Secretary's report

£503 in subscriptions so far this year including 11 new members. Of the 208 total membership, 99 are yet to renew.

6. The Clumps Project

Four of the five clumps have now been cleared of scrub. The National Trust has cleared the bracken from the area adjacent to the clumps. **Trevor** to contact Neil Harris about tree removal as we want to influence what is removed.

7. AGM report

We received several apologies due to a clash with Burns night. Next year make the poster less focussed on the AGM. Some comments that the main talk was a little too long. The photographic competition and the Chairman's report were considered to be about the right length.

Everyone agreed to stay in their existing roles for another year and the following were elected unopposed as Officers of the Committee.

Chairman	Trevor Hussey
Treasurer	Peggy Ewart
Membership Secretary	Stephanie Morgan
Minutes Secretary	Kevin Bennett
Webmaster	Peter Davis
Walks for Health	Ron Collins

The remainder of the Committee comprises: Marek Pawlik, Philip Hussey, Steve Rodrick, David Greenwood and Daisy Leek.

8. Work parties

27 Feb on last clump. 13 March to straighten Huntshill notice board. **David** to try to locate the man with the mini-digger. Gary Putman may be able to help with diggers.

9. Parking problem

We agreed to do no more on this topic.

10. Future programme

- Walks for health dates as already agreed
- 29 May Rogation Day, beat the bounds walk
- May/June Alan Showler's botany walk
- 18 June Naphill Fete, FoNC will have a stand. 20p on a lemon? 10 or 12 leaves from trees on the Common.
- 26 Jun Midsummer picnic at the umbrella tree
- 17 Jul Mini Beast Safari. Involve the school. Contact Clubs and Brownies, action **Trevor**.
- August Bats detection
- October Fungal foray
- Social event was suggested at AGM – any ideas?
- November Photo competition
- Art group competition?

11. Any other business

- Commons Network meeting 31 March
- Management Plan. Ross Osbourne has done a management plan for Lane End Conservation Group and has offered to help us. **Peter** to meet him.
- Black Lion has re-opened as a Village Pub. Start/finish some walks there?
- 12 May Residents Association, Red Kite talk
- History and Archaeology Group started, Kevin to lead it, Trevor, Philip, Peter, Stef and John, David and Una-Lynn interested in being in it. **Peggy** to provide details of BLIS mapping project. **Kevin** to contact John Morris regarding a possible talk on ground rules and instruction in survey methods. We could pay him £40 approx.

12. Next committee meeting

Tuesday 3rd May 2011, 7.30pm, Poland House

Distribution:

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Minutes prepared by: Kevin Bennett, Minutes Secretary

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