FRIENDS OF NAPHILL COMMON

MEETING NO. 4

21st April 2009

1. Attendees

Trevor Hussey, Peggy Ewart, David Greenwood, Marek Pawlik, Daisy Leek, Kevin Bennett, Steve Rodrick, Peter Davis, Philip Hussey, Ron Collins

2. Apologies

Michael Clarke

3. Previous minutes and matters arising

- The minutes of Meeting No 3 were accepted and approved.
- Steve has checked the Ordnance Survey licence restrictions and as long as the Chilterns Conservation Board asks FoNC to do something we will be covered by their licence. Therefore, Steve will arrange such a request in writing, action Steve Rodrick.
- A letter was received from Doug Wallace reiterating what he had said at the last meeting.
- It would be handy to understand the precise responsibilities of the landowner regarding maintenance of rights of way. Invite someone from the Rights of Way team to our next meeting, **action Steve Rodrick**.
- We agreed £40pa for membership of the Open Spaces Society was too much.
- Peter Davis agreed to update the Management Plan and will send it out for comment incrementally as he does it. The current plan dated Oct 1995 is owned by Naphill Common Committee who commissioned it. Action Peter Davis.

4. Treasurer's report

Bank account has been opened. £455.10 income, 77 full members and 2 child members. £98.60 expenditure (web, hall hire, etc). £356.50 balance.

5. Insurance

BTCV (Zurich) scheme £200-ish. The Parish Council's insurance company is even more at £346. Steve to check how other Friends groups handle insurance. If nothing better is found Peggy is to go with BTCV so that insurance is in place by 18 May walk. If not, we will need a disclaimer in place before people can join us on the walk. **Action Steve and Peggy.**

6. Ron's Health Walk

More membership forms **by Peter**More leaflets **from Trevor**Trevor and Phil on standby to lead the walk, if necessary.

7. Naphill Fete 6th June

Reply from Judy saying a shortage of tables. Therefore we will bring our own. We will need more photos printed. Gazebo **action Steve**. Kevin, Trevor, Una-Lynn, David, Steve to help man the stand.

8. Future activities

We need a 6 month rolling programme of events. The following are possibilities: 18th May, again in June and July, Health Walk by Ron Collins.

21 June- picnic at the Umbrella Tree, mid-summers day.

11-13th Sept. Ponds and veteran trees walk by Phil and Trevor for Heritage Day. July- Botany walk by Alan Showler.

31 Aug (bank holiday)- Treasure Hunt by Trevor's son.

Autumn- Save the Juniper walk by Andy McVeigh. Appeal "does anyone have a Juniper in their garden?"

Autumn- Fungi walk by John Tyler. The Bucks Fungus Group are keen to support us.156 different fungi were found on Naphill Common in 2001.

9. Any other business

Some goldfish were dumped into Pickups pond, Peggy to enquire at Parish Council. Membership Secretary is probably required.

Commoners rights to be investigated.

The horse fraternity ought to be represented within FoNC.

10. Next committee meeting

Wednesday 20th May 2009, 7.30pm, Poland House.

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