

Minutes FOR SLF MEETING 11TH March 2020

Manor House 6.30PM

Attendees

Cllr K Dales
Cllr P Remmer
Cllr Hassell
J Horkan
Cllr Stella Walsh

1. Apologies, none.
2. Minutes of last meeting, approved by all.
3. JH and SW both viewed disappointment at the strimming work as this had been done in haste damaging the field with ruts from farm vehicles and also damaging hedgehog boxes PR agreed to set up a meeting with Barry to discuss

4 Owl Box and pole

The pole was knocked during the last grass cut and this dislodged the owl box which fell to the ground and suffered damage. The box has now been kindly repaired by David Horkan and the PC thanked David via a letter. Owl box still to be replaced if pole was in good order.

JH remarked the Pole was still unstable and the base was beginning to rot PR agreed to inspect and report back.

If we are to replace the pole it should be positioned closer to the existing hedges.

Grass cutting and weed control

KD agreed to arrange for a spray of the dock.

Once paths are to be re cut it should include a track to all seats in the field.

Grass cutting this season was agreed as and when it was required it was also agreed we would set aside areas not to be cut to give the field some character back, these would be pegged out. (this was also mark on a plan)

An area from the stone stile to the Methodist church was to be omitted from strimming to prevent damage to wild flower area.

Planting

Wips are now planted

1 Cherry tree has been planted to commemorate the WI this is currently surrounded by a box, it was agreed this would be removed.

WI to supply sample of Plaque for approval

Bog areas require works to tidy.

JH supplied a plan and proposed a line of cherry trees to form an avenue along the existing footpath leading from the stone stile to the bottom of the field where the metal stile is constructed.

3 X willow trees to be planted in the wet areas in the field along the boundary of Leeds road, a further circa 18 trees at various location around the field (to be agreed)

It was decided this proposal should go to the village for consultation via a survey, the members of the SLF party are to bring questions they want to be considered to be included in the survey to the next meeting.

It was noted that a number of trees have appeared in the field and we now have more trees than originally agreed and so not further planting of tree should be made and if trees continue to appear they will be removed.

Moles

This is ongoing but we are attempting to locate a person to carry out the works.

Dog Fouling

PR to contact dog warden as it was noticed that professional dog walkers are using the field

AOB

The princes trust have sent a proposal to Scholes in bloom to offer labour to contribute to a community project JH is to contact Richard Gill for more information as this could be used to create a WFM on the field

It was discussed that the stream to the field belonging to Taylor Wimpey is getting overgrown and requires cleaning.

The outside dyke also needs looking at as its been along time since this was cleared and only part or it was cleared

Due to Covid-19 all works on hold and no further meeting planned until further notice