

Graveley Environment Group AGM

7 February 2023

Notes of meeting

1. Present:
Fiona Hutton FH
Helen Lumley HL
Janet Firth JF
Members of the Graveley community
No apologies received.
2. The notes of the previous AGM were reviewed and agreed as an accurate record.
3. Election of Officers

Office	Name	Proposed	Seconded
Chair	Fiona Hutton	Janet Firth	Helen Lumley
Treasurer	Helen Lumley	Marion Bracey	Fiona Hutton
Secretary	Janet Firth	Helen Lumley	Fiona Hutton

4. A summary of income and expenditure had been prepared and was presented by HL. The balance as at the date of the meeting was £1186.91. HL asked those present to check the accounts against the GEG bank statement. During the financial year expenditure had been on geraniums for the central reservation (£235.00) plus compost (£17.85) and 8 Roses (£26.40). Accounts to be published as usual.
5. Activities during 2022
Pond maintenance. Members of the group did work to remove some regrowth of the reeds.
Central reservations. Due to ongoing concerns about the Covid pandemic there was no annual weeding day again in May so the weeding and planting work was carried out by the members of the Group plus MB. MB also helped greatly by bringing water to the centre of the village for the central reservations – which thrived despite the drought and very difficult conditions.
Plastic boxes for walks leaflets There are still plenty of leaflets available despite still being popular. Danielle Galvan and HL have a supply and keep the leaflet boxes on Church Lane and Pondsides stocked up. They also keep the information boards clean.
Pump in Oak Lane. MB tidied the area.

6. Plans for 2023

Planting of roses in the central reservation There are 8 Rosa Rugosas already purchased for the larger of the two reservations as previously planned. A provisional date of 26 February was set for members of the group to plant them, subject to weather conditions. HL to buy some compost for this purpose.

Weeding Day The central reservations will require weeding in the spring. It was agreed that villagers are invited to participate and that it should take place on Monday 8 May (bank holiday) as it would be consistent with the spirit of the Big Help Out Day to mark the King's Coronation. It would be between the hours of 9.30 and 11.30. FH and HL to determine and carry out communication about the event in the village. Central reservations to be composted and planted to include annual geraniums, herbaceous geraniums and any other suitable plants donated by the residents later in the spring.

Pond maintenance Reed regrowth clearance will again be necessary. HL to initiate this when required. It is hoped that members of the community will volunteer to help.

Plastic Boxes for walks leaflets –As before.

Pump in Oak Lane. As before. All members of the group to monitor condition and initiate any tidying required.

There was no further business.