

## **Minutes of the Wildlife and Biodiversity subgroup meeting, Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**1. Present:** Tim Lloyd (chair), Drew Bellis and Chris Jackson  
Apologies: Andy Ankers and Andy Eardley

**2. Minutes of last meeting, March 16<sup>th</sup> 2021** were agreed.

**3. Matters arising not on the agenda-** Andrea Powell has made relevant changes to the CWT report i.e., buffer zone increased /bare brick house land mentioned as being of high value to wildlife/more mention of importance of birdlife on the marshes /TPOs mentioned (Drew had given Andrea a plan of the Parish with old trees marked on it). Andy Ankers felt that more mention should have been given to Flora and Fauna. We mentioned that to do a more in-depth study would have cost us far more money than we had available.

**4. Actions from previous meeting-** these have all been met although Tim wasn't sure if the person who does the bird count had passed on relevant information to Andy Ankers. He had hoped for a more up to date bird count. It was mentioned that the work carried out by Drew and Tim in classifying and dating trees has been highly valuable. Chris is waiting to hear from Lucy about policies for the Wildlife report.

**5. The next steps were looked at.** A) Lucy needs to write up the policies and justifications based on the evidence provided. Have we as much evidence as we can possibly get? The group think that we have a great deal of evidence and could not think of what else might be provided. B)The group to check the policies and justifications and either agree with them or suggest changes C) Steering group accept policies etc D) Plan is finalised and a public event takes place whereby residents can view the plan and ask questions- not sure what happens if we cannot hold a public event! A leaflet drop was mentioned but this can be followed up later E) Pre-submission 6-

week consultation takes place (we will have a list of people to whom the plan must be given). F) Amend plan if need be -**See project plan for beyond this.**

We discussed how the plan may help prevent further development which was likely to adversely affect wildlife.

**6. Future funding avenues for wildlife projects.** Once the Plan is passed the group can consider what needs to be done to support policies. Funding can be discussed then.

**7. Correspondence to tenants and owners of greenspaces** -this will be sent out once the survey has been completed. Any further investigation around Bare Brick House can be looked at separately after the Plan has been passed. The development of a Management Plan will set out what needs to be done by various groups such as farmers and landowners. It will list all the things which we believe needs to happen to conserve and increase wildlife in the Parish. Several examples of what might be included were discussed briefly e.g., care of wildlife mitigation areas/increasing rough pasture for wildlife.

**8. Tasks for next meeting**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Who</b>	<b>When</b>
Lucy to draft Policies and justifications for CWT	Chris to send Lucy the most up to date report for policy writing	20 <sup>th</sup> April
Look at policies and justifications for other NPlan reports	The whole group	Before next meeting
Find out what the role of CWT is in relation to the marshes	Tim	By next meeting

Invite a member of CWT to a Parish meeting	Tim	June meeting
Read through polices and comment on	The whole group	Once Lucy has drafted them

**9.Date of next meeting-**It was decided not to set a date until we know we have some policies to discuss. A meeting will be called once this has taken place.