

Graveley Environment Group AGM

25 January 2022

Notes of meeting

1. Present:
Fiona Hutton FH
Helen Lumley HL
Janet Firth JF
Members of the Graveley community including Marion Bracey MB and
Kath Marvell KM
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	Helen Lumley	Janet Firth
Treasurer	Helen Lumley	Janet Firth	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 £1466.16. During the financial year expenditure had been on geraniums for the central reservation which was £200.00 plus compost (£32.00) and spring bulbs and sundries (£34.33). During the year GEG was the beneficiary of the wish of former Graveley resident, Mick Marvell who sadly died and who wanted the proceedings from the collection at his funeral to be donated to the GEG. This amounted to £600 which is included in the accounts. Thank you to Mick and KM and their daughters and family. In the absence of other funding streams this generous contribution will enable the usual annual activities of the Group to continue for a few further years.
Accounts to be published as usual.
5. Activities during 2021
Pond maintenance. Members of the group did work to remove some regrowth of the reeds.
Central reservations. Due to the pandemic there was no annual weeding day 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 in a truck to water the central reservations when

necessary. In the autumn a significant quantity of daffodil bulbs were planted in the central reservations.

Village hall. Any work required is now done by the village hall committee.

Plastic boxes for walks leaflets There are still plenty of leaflets available despite being extremely popular during the lockdown periods! Danielle Galvan has a supply and keeps the leaflet box on Church Lane stocked up whilst HL does the same for the box in Pondsider. They also keep the information boards clean.

6. Plans for 2022

Weeding Day The central reservations will require weeding in the spring. It was agreed that villagers are again invited to participate in this (pandemic permitting) – a Sunday morning between the hours of 9.30 and 11.30 during April or May. FH to write copy for Graveley Matters advertising this as a ‘Village Gardening Day’ and put posters around the village. Central reservations to be composted and planted to include geraniums, herbaceous geraniums, thrift and rosa rugosa. Members of the Group and residents have some plants from their own gardens to plant 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. KM enquired who was responsible for keeping this tidy – Mick had renovated it in recent years. HL agreed to clarify with the Parish Clerk. Both KM and MB volunteered to keep surrounding growth trimmed back. NOTE – The Parish Clerk made enquiries and other residents informed her that this area had been tidied up before by them and so on this basis had no objection and suggested the wearing of hi vis jackets as a safety measure.

7. There was no further business.