



Peoples Park Wildlife Area  
Committee Meeting,



Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2015, at 4:30 pm



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**Present:** Frank Letch, Georgina ford, Kendra Ezekiel, Laura Conyngham and Clare Dalley

**1 To Elect a Committee Chairman for 2014-2015**

It was resolved to elect Georgina Ford as Committee Chairman for 2014-2015 (Proposed by Frank Letch, seconded by Cllr Laura Conyngham)

**2 To Elect a Committee Deputy Chairman for 2014-2015**

It was resolved to elect Kendra Ezekiel as Committee Deputy Chairman for 2014-2015 (Proposed by Cllr Frank Letch, seconded by Cllr Laura Conyngham)

**3 To receive and accept apologies**

Apologies were received and accepted from Kate Monk, Elaine Harland and Liz Brookes-Hocking.

**4 Declarations of Interest**

None declared.

**5 Peoples Park Wildlife Area Working Group Minutes - To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Peoples Park Wildlife Area Working Group Meeting held on 24th April 2014. It was resolved to approve and sign the minutes of the Peoples Park Wildlife Area Working Group Meeting held on 24th April 2014 as a correct record.**

**6 Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

**7 To review the current situation and agree a project plan for the Peoples Park Wildlife Area.**

Members had recently inspected the area. It was noted that two thirds of the membrane was still in situ. The membrane located in the bottom third of the area had become ripped and would need replacing and securing. It was agreed this should only be done once woodchip was ready to be laid on top.

It was recognised that a large amount of woodchip was required for the area and ideally it needed to be free. Clare advised that access for unloading the woodchip would be an issue. The Mid Devon District Council (MDDC) Grounds Maintenance Officer for Tiverton had confirmed that MDDC would be able to supply woodchip if they had any within the Crediton area, however at present they did not. After consideration it was agreed for Clare to contact the following people/organisations to establish whether they had any free woodchip available for the project.

- Hi-Line
- Moonridge Farm
- Chunky Monkey
- Hooper Services

- Mr Marsh
- Bob Wright

Kendra has been working on a plan for the area together with a planting list. This is nearly complete and she is happy to finish it and e-mail to Clare for circulation to all members before the next meeting. Kendra also advised that some things can still be done without the plan, for example the planting of a hedge in front of the corrugated fence and the making and erecting of bug and bee hotels.

It was agreed for Clare to obtain quotes for the hedging plants, in consultation with Kendra and Yvonne, which can be considered at the next meeting. Members also identified individuals that may have small trees/hedging plants they could donate to the project. It was agreed each member would make individual enquiries and report back at the next meeting.

Kendra raised concern regarding a tree located at the bottom of the area, it is leaning and looks like it could fall. It was also casting a large shadow over the area. Clare advised that a Quantitative Tree Risk Assessment had recently been carried out at Peoples Park and that she would look into the matter.

It was agreed the next meeting would be on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at 4.30pm at the Council Chamber.

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Close

The meeting closed at 5.20 pm

