TPEG - Tankersley and Pilley Environmental Group

TPEG General Meeting 7.30pm Monday 5th December 2022

Persons Present: James Walker, Anne Hirst, Chris Hirst, Christine Robinson, Jock Jones

1. **Apologies** - Kate Johnson, Louise Walker

Minutes of meeting 6th June 2022

Matter arising -

The dipping pond board walk has been repaired by CH and AH.

The litter pick on Wentworth Way on the 10th November was carried out by 9 volunteers, and resulted in collecting 22 bags of rubbish.

The litter pick on a Saturday during November in Tankersley and Pilley was attended by 15 volunteers and resulted in 20 bags of rubbish being collected.

Wild flower planting update -

JW reported that an application for funding had been submitted to Ward Alliance. After a conversation with Tanya Dickinson, an amended submission is to be made after it had been established that the Neighbourhood Teams will supply the heavy equipment for the ground preparation. The plan is for the project to be carried out during March/April 2023. After consultation with Twiggs, it is proposed that we use a mixture of seeds, grass rolls and plug plants.

JW also suggested an area at the bottom of Lidget Lane, at the entrance to the wood, for further wild flower planting.

Action - JW to keep committee updated re application.

The Welfare Hall project report has been finalised and submitted.

Servicing of TPEG equipment - JW has asked for quotes and is awaiting replies. If these are too expensive, then JW will service the items himself.

Offer from Andrew Cocking to plant saplings - CH has replied declining offer due to BMBC refusing anymore planting of trees at this time.

3. Finance Report.

Expenditure -

TCA - £743.57 (welfare garden project) Website renewal - £85.04 Petrol - £6.40 Wine - £8 (auditing)

Bank balance stands at £695.49, and petty cash at £83.74

After discussion about bank balance - **JW to apply for grant from Tankersley Parish Council** to help with maintenance and projects.

4. Covid 19 and implications for TPEG work.

 All restrictions have been lifted now, but it was agreed that sensible precautions will still be taken on all projects to protect the health of volunteers.

5. Update on Recent Work.

Litter picks are continuing in association with Twiggs, MCDonalds and the primary school The next litter pick will be on Thursday 5th January at 10am.

Footpath clearances -

• JW reports on work carried out on footpath parallel to the sheep field off New Rd. Brambles have been cut to make the footpath safe for local residents on New Rd/Lidgett Lane.

6. Social Media

- CH stated that the website remains current and contains recent events, posts and meeting information.
- JW stated that one post on the our Facebook page had 670 hits.
- The TPEG Twitter account is live, with some utilisation

7. Future Projects

Dipping Pond maintenance-

CH suggested a maintenance day at pond to clear the dead shrubs / weeds and cut down the bushes at the side of the path.

AH - to contact Twiggs to arrange a day in January. CH will circulate event on Facebook.

- · Litter Picks -
- Regular monthly litter picks are scheduled.
- Next litter pick is Thursday 5th January. 10-12pm. Meeting point on Wentworth Way.
- Action CH, to circulate event on social media, JW to send details to Tankersley Primary school.
- Wild Flower planting recreation ground, Lidgett Lane.-

Detailed in matters arising.

8. Any Other Business

School Partnership

JW stated that the partnership with the new head, Vicky Harrison, is working well. Stated they had been involved in litter pick and in clearing the footpath/footbridge opposite the school.

JW - to liaise with school re building bug houses in locality of school.

Dog Fowling on footpaths.

Andrew Cocking raised this matter and was provided with 'marking spray'. This seems to have improved the situation.

Neighbourhood Plan

AH stated that an email had been received from the Parish clerk re a meeting later this month, asking for TPEGs involvement in the plan. **JW to attend.**

9. Date of next meeting.

Date to be arranged 4 months hence.

8.20pm the meeting was closed.