#  Brundall Parish Council Environment Committee

Minutes of the Meeting Held on 30th November 2023 at 19:00 at the Memorial Hall Lounge

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| **Present:** Cllr Joe Warns (Chairman), Chris Muskett, Tim Strudwick, Edie Wozniakowski, Cllr Graham Abbott, Richard Farley Clerk Sharon Smyth Member of the Public: Sally Ward (Tree Warden) |
|  | *Details* | *Action* |
| **EV049** | **Housekeeping**The Chairman of the Meeting thanked everyone for attending and advised the safety procedures for the room.  |  |
| **EV050** | **Apologies for Absence** Cllr John Warne |  |
| **EV051** | **Minutes of the previous Meeting dated 17 August 2023****It was resolved** by a unanimous decision that the Minutes were accurate.  |  |
| **EV052** | **Declarations of Disclosable (DPI) or Non-Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (NDPI)** none. |  |
| **EV053** | **Actions from the Last Meeting (Not on the Agenda)** **EV034 Cremers Pond –** Eddie has set up a working group involving members from the Friends . They have submitted a report to the Norfolk Pond Project and are awaiting a response. Things to consider are dredging, where the resultant dredging should be laid/removed to, funding (Geoffrey Watling?), The inlet has been shut off. The level of the water is stable now. Tree coverage will be advised once NPP reply to the report.**EV043** the Countryside Purchase environmental paper was submitted to the Recreation and Wellbeing/Land Management contact. Richard will enquire if the paper was enough. \* | \*RF |
| **EV054** | **Update from the Tree Warden Network**Richard reported that the TWs are completing a mapping of the trees in the Countryside Park and what varieties there are. They were asked to do a brief on the trees in the Countryside Park. |  |
| **EV055** | **Presentation of the Biodiversity Working Group Reports**Chris Muskett presented a Power Point Presentation. The full report, which was circulated prior to the meeting, focuses on audits carried out on the four areas that are parish council owned/leased or cared for.**Biodiversity Audit /Breeding Birds Report**Tim presented a Power Point Presentation explaining the full reports which had been issued prior to the meeting.Before finalizing the reports consultative meetings were held with the Tree Wardens, Cremer’s Friends and the Countryside Park Working Group. The Chairman stated that the Reports were an eye opener. The Tree Wardens were pleased with the Presentation and would look forward to digesting the full reports. The presentation received no adverse comments. The 3 reports will be presented to full Council on 18th December. The Chairman, Joe Warns, thanked the Biodiversity Working Group for their efforts and hard work over the last 9 months. |  |
| **EV056** | **Preparations for the Open Event on 27th January 2024 at Brundall Memorial Hall**The event is being held to inform the village community as part of the Council’s Biodiversity Vision. It is not known how many would attend but the Hall is booked just in case. It will be an opportunity for the community to buy into the process of Brundall’s biodiversity and of the village’s resources that people may not be aware of. It will need to be publicised well – Facebook page, Village Book, website and notice boards. | BWG/Clerk |
| **EV057** | **Brundall School Pond**The Head asked for assistance and the Eddie/Chris visited to assess the scope of the work needed. The Head subsequently advised to put this on hold due to urgent priorities. Eddie had visited the Village Green pond and it is in dire need of upkeep. He wanted the Clerks to enquire with Hopkins if there could be some upkeep carried out in the interim period as the pond life will deteriorate badly.\* | \*Clerks |
| **EV058** | **General Public Participation** None |  |
| **EV059** | **Items for the Next Agenda**None |  |
| **EV060** | **Date for the next meeting(s)** **15 February 2024**The meeting finished at 9.15pm. |  |
| Signed as a true record …………………………………………….……. Date …………………………  |