

# Ewhurst Local Environment Action People

## *Greening Ewhurst*

<http://ewhurstleap.org.uk/>

### Meeting Notes

23 February 2012

These are notes of the LEAP meeting held on Thursday 23 February 2012 at Joanna's house.

At the meeting were: Joanna Cadman (Chairman), Eddie Breeveld, Zoe Horton, Diane James, Richard Sellwood, Jane Barr, Les Lewis, Jenny Lewis, Heather Hadfield (Stop the Drop campaign for Surrey CPRE) and Claire McGill (Secretary).

Apologies: Keith Vivers (Treasurer)

#### **Matters Arising**

- Litter Pick – 21 April 2012
  - LEAP Litter Pick to take place at 2pm, starting at the Recreation Ground. There is a 'Litter Action' website to promote local groups who pick up litter and LEAP has been put on this site.
  - It was mentioned that litter had piled up on the left hand side of the Village Hall.
  - Diane offered to lend her gazebo for the Litter Pick, but this was declined as it was felt the banner could be put up on the fence, but it might be useful for another occasion.
  - Heather suggested a children's Litter Pick after the Jubilee Event on the weekend 4/5 June. The litter would be separated into recyclable bins and the school might wish to be involved. This could take place before or after the short walk on Tuesday and be called, 'A Tidy Up'. Still to be decided.
  - Jenny suggested painting the word, 'LEAP' on the plastic bins.
- Ewhurst Walks
  - The Village walk, to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee, will take place on the Tuesday Bank Holiday (5 June) 2:30pm to 3:30pm from the Village car park, with everybody welcome, followed by tea in the Wilson Room.
  - Claire has walked the 3 hour route, starting from Wykehurst Lane, and found it an excellent walk.
  - One point to note is that there is a wired up stile at the beginning of the walk when you leave the village car park and go towards Wykehurst Lane through the fields. If you have small dog or no dog, this will not be a problem but big dog could be.
  - Walks to be organised and put on laminated paper for sale at 50p for short and £1 for long.  
Action: Keith
  - Walk to be advertised in the Ewhurst Newsletter, also with notices in the church and posters for distribution around the village.

- Clear Out Day – 7 July 2012
  - It was agreed that large pieces of furniture would not be accepted, but photos could be displayed in the gazebo. Buyers to collect from sellers.
  - Leaflets need to be produced.
- Carnival – 14 July 2012
  - It was felt that LEAP should be represented and various ideas were discussed:
    - Wild flower seeds could be given out or placed in pots
    - A nature table – ‘Show & Tell’
  - Eddie to find a source for large quantity of flower seeds. Action: Eddie
  - Richard said he would go out early on the 5<sup>th</sup> to collect flowers. Action: Richard
- High-Visibility Vests
  - Diane offered a donation of £100, from the proceeds of the sale of the Ewhurst Calendar, to purchase high-visibility vests to be used by LEAP volunteers.
  - It was agreed that 20 vests should be purchased at a cost of £5 per vest:
    - - 6 small/7 medium/7 large
    - the words ‘LEAP’ with ‘**Environmental Ewhurst**’ underneath to be on the back of each vest.
  - Joanna to organise purchase through hivis.net. Action: Joanna
- Gazebo and Banner
  - Jenny asked if LEAP would like a donation from the Ewhurst Village Society towards a gazebo and a banner to go on the front of the gazebo.
  - The banner to have the words ‘LEAP’ and ‘**Environmental Ewhurst**’, and a possible logo. Diane said ring holes and Velcro were needed on the back of the banner.
  - An amount of £50 was provisionally agreed with Jenny to be put towards the purchase of a banner and gazebo, subject to approval from the Ewhurst Village Society. Joanna to purchase, once approval given. Action: Joanna
- Pond Clearance.
  - Keith has spoken to Sarah Henderson, the countryside ranger, and they will meet in June/July to decide what needs doing and produce a suggested plan. Sarah is unable to assist with the clearance but should be able to lend waders and tools.
  - Keith has also spoken to the Cranleigh Conservation volunteers and asked if this task can be included as part of their programme – awaiting reply.
  - This is likely to be an autumn job, and further details can wait until a future meeting.
  - We would advertise this to the village in the Parish News.
  - Have the Parish Council insurance to cover us, if necessary? Will this be an issue?

## AOB

- Fly-Tipping and Litter
  - Heather Hadfield handed out ‘Stop the Drop’ flyers from the Campaign to Protect Rural England (Surrey Branch), which give information regarding illegal fly-tipping and litter, together with a number to ring if any illegal fly-tipping is spotted. The Surrey CPRE website ([www.cpresurrey.org.uk](http://www.cpresurrey.org.uk)) and email ([cpre.surrey@btconnect.com](mailto:cpre.surrey@btconnect.com)) give details of the Surrey Branch activities. Full details of the national campaign can be found at [www.cpre.org.uk](http://www.cpre.org.uk).

- **Diamond Jubilee Embroidery Panel**
  - Zoe asked if LEAP had been approached by the Embroidery Group to provide a logo to go on the embroidered panel that is being done for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. It was thought that LEAP needs to have a logo. Diane suggested an oak leaf motif and Eddie said that a previous banner had a little lamb jumping over the world. Still to be decided.
- **Footpath between Ockley Road and Downshurst Road**
  - Diane said that people living alongside this small area are encroaching on the land by moving their fences.
  - The Parish Council want to know if LEAP would support clearance of the bridlepath. This was agreed.
  - The SCC do not want ownership of this piece of land. Diane asked if LEAP would like to take control as it was land in the centre of the village that could possibly be acquired for the community. It was agreed that this would not be a good idea.
  - It was felt that the Parish Council member in charge of footpaths should come out to inspect the site and, when this takes place, Joanna said she would like to be present.
  - Diane proposed Saturday 25 February to meet by the path and look at the area.
  - Rob Matthews, Parish Council, to be sent a copy of the minutes

**Dates agreed:**

<b>Litter Pick</b>	<b>21 April 2012</b>
<b>Village walk</b>	<b>5 June 2012</b>
<b>Clear out day</b>	<b>7 July 2012</b>
<b>Carnival</b>	<b>14 July 2012</b>
<b>Pond Clearance</b>	<b>Autumn 2012</b>

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Next Meeting: 8pm on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2012, at Joanna's house.