

Ewhurst Local Environment Action People

Greening Ewhurst

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Meeting Notes

16th September 2013

These are notes of the LEAP meeting held on Monday 16th September 2013 at Joanna's house.

At the meeting were: Joanna Cadman (Chairman), Eddie Breeveld, Richard Sellwood, Darren and Jane Barr, Michael Nash and Claire McGill (Secretary).

Apologies: Diane James, Zoe Horton, Jenny Lewis, Keith Vivers.

Matters Arising

- Treasurer's Report

Credits:

Amount in the Bank = £745.61 (£15 Joanna had in cash – now paid to Eddie)

Debits:

LEAP banner = £118.20 (Eddie owed £7 to LEAP + £15 = £22 paid in cash)
= £ 96.20 cheque owed to Eddie

Balance = £649.41

Note: So far, we have not been charged for the use of the EYSC for Clear Out Day nor for Wilson Room (Long Walk).

- Ewhurst Long Walk – Saturday 8th June
 - Long Walk to be written up and put onto LEAP website. Action: Keith/Eddie
 - Laminated copies hopefully to be produced for both walks.
 - Joanna to ask Lesley Wood if she would be prepared to produce maps for both walks.
Action: Joanna
- Visit to Recycling Plant at Croydon
 - Mike Turner wants a recycling outing to Croydon but LEAP is not prepared to organise this.
- Sayers Croft
 - David Quorrel is keen to have some support from LEAP and help with Roundhouse.
 - Eddie already sends out messages for Sayers Croft together with LEAP mailings.
- Tree Wardens
 - LEAP should be careful before accepting this role as it could become too onerous.
 - Richard to ask Rob Matthews exactly what would be involved. Action: Richard
- Footpath Clearance
 - Footpath clearance session took place on Saturday 10th August to clear Footpath 440 (behind Old House). This was very successful.
 - Nicky Scott organising Leader training at Horton Country Park, Epsom.

- Nicky advised that first aid kit issued with the packs is sufficient for Volunteer Path Wardens doing simple clearing, but if extensive clearance was undertaken using more dangerous equipment it would be necessary to have a First Aider and Leader present as this would be required under the terms of insurance.
 - Joanna to check if Parish Council would pay for First Aid training for LEAP volunteers if we combined with other local groups. Action: Joanna.
 - Keith completed Brushcutter Course - SCC to take charge of brushcutter.
 - LEAP does not want to take ownership of equipment given to volunteers for use in path/pond clearing, but would prefer the PC to keep and look after such equipment.
 - Future footpath/pond clearance will now take place on the first Saturday of each month between 1000-1200hrs (see dates below). Anyone wishing to continue clearing beyond 1200hrs can do so, provided Health & Safety measures are in place.
- Pond Clearance
 - Saturday 5th October between 1000-1200hrs to clear around cemetery pond.
 - Joanna and Keith had met with Ruth Reed regarding the pond.
 - Joanna suggested asking for Ian Baldwin's services for a couple of days - cost £120 per half day - Parish Council could pay. Action: Joanna
 - Eddie suggested pollarding the willow trees.
 - Joanna to check on insurance as pond clearance could carry some risk. Action: Joanna
 - Parish Council to take away debris.
 - Eddie to send out mailing. Action: Eddie
 - Ruth asked Joanna to come along to Parish Council meeting next month to tell them what LEAP volunteers have been doing. Action: Joanna
 - LEAP Quiz Night
 - Jenny has booked Thursday 6th March 2014 for a fund raising Quiz Night at the Bull's Head.
 - Bull's Head provide bread and soup – charge approx £2 per head.
 - These monthly Quiz Nights have a specific Organiser, who also provides the raffle prizes, but additional items are welcome.
 - Proceeds are split 50/50 between winning team and the relevant charity but, over the last 3 years, the winning team have donated their half to the charity.

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- LEAP Blog
 - Jane/October.

Dates agreed:

- Footpath clearance
 - Saturday 5th October 2013
 - Saturday 2nd November 2013
 - Saturday 7th December 2013
 - Saturday 4th January 2014
 - Saturday 1st February 2014
 - Saturday 1st March 2014
- LEAP Quiz Night Thursday 6th March 2014

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Next Meeting: 8pm on **Thursday 21st November 2013**, at Joanna's house.