

# Ewhurst Local Environment Action People

## Greening Ewhurst

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## Meeting Notes

2<sup>nd</sup> October 2014

These are notes of the LEAP meeting held on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2014 at Joanna's house.

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

Apologies: Jenny Lewis, Michael Nash, Diane James, Rob Matthews, Zoe Horton.

### Matters Arising

- Treasurer's Report

Amount in Bank = £ 955.71

Debits:

Tools – see below = £ 98.12

Balance = £ 857.59

- Joanna to ask Parish Council for more money – **Action: Joanna**

- Footpath Clearance

- From the Footpath Survey, the paths were in pretty good condition but stiles, fallen trees and waymarking need to be catalogued, together with grid refs., and circulated - **Action: Eddie**
- Footpath leading off Old House drive to be done on 4<sup>th</sup> October.
- Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2015 – LEAP working party for footpaths
- Tools to be purchased:
  - Scythe blade x 1
  - Secateurs x 6 – 4 purchased by Keith
  - Bow saws x 2 – purchased by Keith
  - Wooden rake x 1
  - Jenny has petrol chain saw (Joanna to provide fuel can) **Action: Jenny/Joanna**
  - Shed now ready for tools but needs clearing out – **Action: Keith**
- Keysafe to be purchased and hidden round corner of shed – **Action: Joanna**
- Eddie needs some form of carrier for First Aid Kit + equipment.
- Nicky Scott to provide A5 footpath maps and access to the footpath database.
- Footpath by the bridge in the woods off the Ockley Road needs some form of hardcore as it becomes very muddy during the winter – now completed by Parish Council.
- Richard said that the path opposite the roundabout on the Cranleigh Road was inaccessible from the Cranleigh direction. To be surveyed in January 2015.
- Ellens Green
  - Tim Bloomfield has asked LEAP to do a survey of the footpaths in Ellens Green and compile a list of what needs to be done.
  - LEAP will try to do this in May or June 2015.

- Pond Clearance

- Working party planned for Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> November and Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December

- Parish Council to be asked if pond clearance + tree work can be done on these two dates. Also whether we can trim closer to the pond – **Action: Joanna**
  - Need trailer to remove pond debris – **Action: Eddie**
  - Richard said a purple plant was encroaching on the area so possible summer working party to clear this.
  - Rob Matthews to talk to Luke Nicholson – **Action: Rob**
  - Keith to provide cymes and waders – **Action: Keith**
  - Is a risk assessment needed for the pond? **Action: Joanna/Eddie**
  - Cobbler's Brook has a quantity of Himalayan Balsam which needs to be pulled out or cut back. June 2015 would be a good time for this but a risk assessment would be needed beforehand.
- LEAP Quiz Night
    - Jenny to investigate another LEAP Quiz Night in 2015 – **Action: Jenny**
  - Clear Out Day – Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2014
    - As usual went very well but it was decided not to sell coffee/cakes, which would in future only be given to helpers
  - Ewhurst Carnival – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2014
    - Flower Quiz proving very popular so to be continued for future events.
    - All the poppy and wildflower seeds were given away.

#### AOB

- LEAP Blog
  - October – Joanna
  - November – Richard
  - December – Keith
  - January - Claire

#### Dates agreed:

- Footpath clearance
  - Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2014
  - Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2014
  - Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2015
  - Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2015
  - Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2015
  - Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2015

Next Meeting: 8pm on **Thursday 15 January 2015** at Joanna's house.