

Minutes of Guilden Sutton Green Space Steering Group 6/02/20

Attendees: Sarah Jessop, Brian Lewin, Tony Fisher, Derek Hughes, Amy Edwards

Apologies: Alan Davis, Matthew Jessop, John Jessop

1. Brief Project Updates

- Joe Gough, Environment Officer at CWAC, has visited the site to assess its suitability for pond habitat improvements funded by Natural England. Improvements can be made to the pond at the end of the second field to improve its habitat, and the Natural England funding can also be used to fence the pond. A further, new, wildlife pond could also be created, possibly in one of the lower-lying areas which is more prone to water saturation, or sited to receive water from the boundary drainage ditches. All work would be funded by Natural England. For now, GSGS is on the list for the next round of work which will be in August/September.

2. Lease

- SJ has shared information about suitable lease formats with Lisa Tiplady
- Parish Council will discuss the lease at their meeting next week (5/2/20)

3. Paths

- Brian has visited several green space sites around Chester and shared pictures. Most had paths which were of a similar construction (wooden edging, compressed fine gravel top layer on top of hard-standing of larger stones) and several of these were built by local firm, Parsons. Pros and cons were discussed. Next steps;
Ask Richard Walters to visit the fields and offer advice - BL
Further research – locate example of Breedon self binding gravel to view, and seek advice from Pete Atwood - SJ
Consolidate information and present to Joint Working Group meeting in Feb - SJ

4. AOB

- *SJ to attend next PC and provide project update in public speaking time*

7. Dates of future meetings

- Joint Working Group meeting – to be arranged for 4th Thursday in Feb (3rd Thursday is half term week)
- GS Steering Group – Thursday 6th Feb
- Parish Council meeting – Wednesday 5th February