

Minutes of a Meeting of Ilkeshall St Andrew and St John Land Management Company Ltd. Via Zoom on 21st July 2022 at 7 p.m.

Present: Tim Basey-Fisher (T B-F) (Chairman)
John Bedwell (JB) (Secretary)
Rod Apps (RA)
Gerald Godfrey (GG)
Roo Lee (RL)
Chris Roberts (CR)

1. Welcome and Apologies

1.1 The Chairman welcomed everybody.

2. Minutes of the Meeting of 11th April 2022

2.1 The minutes of the meeting of 11th April 2022 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matter Arising not elsewhere covered in the Agenda

3.1 There were no matters arising.

4. Finance

4.1 The current financial position showed total funds of £74532.67. Since the last meeting payments have been made to JB for website maintenance and Companies House confirmation, CR for padlocks, hedging materials and Simon Topham, SWT for membership and donation and Keiron McCarthy for grasscutting

4.2 Bond Number 2 has been re-invested. Hampshire Trust Bank claimed not to have received the maturity instructions for Bond Number 3 which matured on 9th May nor a subsequent letter and the funds from that are presently in an Easy Access account. Bond Number 1 matures on 1st August and will be re-invested for 1 year whilst funds in the easy Access account will also be transferred into a 1 year bond. Instructions in both cases will be sent special delivery to ensure proof of delivery.
Action: JB

5. Implementation of Management Plan 2022 - 2023

5.1 There was nothing to report that was not covered later in the meeting.

6. LMC Website and LMC Promotion

6.1 CR reported that the website has been updated as and when with information on strimming access points, cutting pathways and the hay cut

7. Summer Work Programme

7.1 Timber boards have been replaced at some pedestrian access points, there have been 3 cuts of the pathways and Simon Topham has strimmed pond fronts and access points.

7.2 The hay cut commenced on 3rd July. Numbers for bales from those areas cut by GG showed an 11% reduction in yield compared to last year.


7.3 Michael Walderstone who keeps goats has expressed an interest in taking the late cut hay. GG will pass his details to CR who will liaise with him. RL thought that Maisebrooke farm might also be interested and will contact them.
Action: GG, CR, RL

7.4 Vegetation left at the edges of the commons after the hay cut will be flailed by Brian Andrews later in the year.

7.5 The locks at Beck's Green presently operated with a key will be replaced with combination locks which CR already has. T B-F will talk to Adrian.
Action: T B_F

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- 7.6 There are pieces of grass at Beck's Green that are too small to be cut with big kit and are presently cut by Adrian. Looking to the future, it would be desirable to have access to a small tractor and flail.
- 7.7 The disease-resistant elm on Pear Dyke has died and will need to be cut down.
- 7.8 The field trip went ahead on 6th July and a very enjoyable morning was spent at Carlton Marshes. Thanks to RL and CR for the organisation.
- 7.9 It was agreed that in view of increased costs for the contractors, the compensation for the hay cut would be increased to £30 + VAT per acre.

8. Issues

- 8.1 No progress on the boundary issues. Action: RA
- 8.2 It was agreed that the brambles encroaching on to the grass at Beck's Green should be flailed in the autumn.
- 8.3 A group managing the commons in Wenhaston have requested green hay from the late cut. JB will liaise with Brian Andrews. Action: JB
- 8.4 Reedmace in encroaching in ponds on Great Common and Blacksmiths and needs to be removed. CR will e-mail Juliet Hawkins about the best time to carry out this work but a suitable digger will need to be sourced. Action: CR
- 8.5 Joe Griffin has been contacted about a visit to access the safety of the trees on the common but a date has yet to be fixed for him to come. Action: RA

9. Reserved Business

- 9.1 There were a number of items of reserved business.

10. Any Other Business

- 10.1 There was no Any Other Business.

11. Date of the Next Meeting

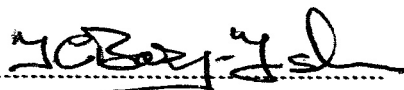
- 11.1 The date of the next Board meeting will be on Monday 10th October 2022 at 7pm via Zoom.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 22.05 hours.

J Bedwell
26th July 2022

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