

Minutes of a Meeting of Ilketshall St Andrew and St John Land Management Company Ltd. held at the Village Hall on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2025 at 7 p.m.

Present: Tim Basey-Fisher (T B-F) (Chairman)  
John Bedwell (JB) (Secretary)  
Rod Apps (RA)  
Chris Roberts (CR)  
Roo Lee (RL)  
Jack Poulden (JP)  
Junc Hall (JH)

1. Welcome and Apologies

1.1 The Chairman welcomed everybody.

2. Minutes of the Meeting of 14<sup>th</sup> July 2025

2.1 The minutes of the meeting of 14<sup>th</sup> July 2025 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matter Arising not elsewhere covered in the Agenda

3.1 Item 12.2, the registration of the Village Hall with the Land Registry is progressing albeit with bureaucratic problems.  
3.2 Item 11.4, there was considerable discussion as to whether the LMC should engage with RES over the proposed Shipmeadow solar farm. As there was not clear cut agreement the matter was put to a vote which was recorded as a 4-3 majority in favour of engagement. RA will draft a reply to the email that was sent by RES and forward to all Board members for approval prior to sending.  
Action: RA

4. LMC Constitution and Review of Long-term Objectives

4.1 The long-term objectives of the Company will carry over into the Draft Management Plan in the absence of any suggestions or objections.

5. Finance

5.1 The current financial position showed total funds of £77712.  
5.2 Cheques were written for Village Hall hire, website maintenance and pond maintenance.  
5.3 Bonds 1 and 3 had been re-invested with Hampshire Trust Bank except that £5000 has been withdrawn from Bond 1 and transferred to the Santander current account as agreed at the previous Board meeting.  
5.4 Companies House now requires all directors to verify their identity and instructions for this process had previously been circulated. Personal codes for all directors will need to be obtained before the next Confirmation Statement has to be submitted in May 2026.  
Action: ALL

6. LMC Website and LMC Promotion/ Communication

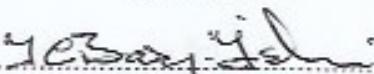
6.1 The website is up-to-date with recent minutes, etc. having been added.

7. Correspondence and Filing

7.1 The LMC's WhatsApp group is up and running and has proved useful.  
7.2 A central system for storing, sharing and accessing correspondence and e-mails is required. T B-F will speak to his IT consultant.  
Action: T B-F

8. Hay Cut 2025

8.1 T B-F will complete the cutting of those areas too small to be cut with the contractor's kit by the end of the week  
Action: T B-F

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Date 12/10/2026

8.2 The flail that CR had identified as being suitable for many of the tasks around the commons has been purchased. He will be getting training in its use before it can become operational. Action: CR

#### 9. Winter Work

9.1 Winter work parties have commenced with dealing with fallen trees at The Mardle.

9.2 Various options for the control of ragwort were discussed. A strategy will need to be agreed before growth commences in the spring.

9.3 Sallows growing in the anti-incursion ditches are now too large to control by flailing. They will need to be dealt with somehow.

9.4 It was decided not to clear the ditch by the side of the Glebe Farm track. Instead, D-AGRI-S were employed to clear the outlet of the nearby pond to enable water to flow in the direction of English Cottage pond. However, that ditch is choked with rubbish. Winter work parties will endeavour to open up access to the ditch in case a digger is required.

9.5 D-AGRI-S were also employed to remove invading reedmace from The Mardle Pond 7, Great Common (South) Pond 4 and Pond 13 on Great Common (South) where they also profiled one of the banks to create a softer and shallower gradient in line with the Pond Survey of 2023.

#### 10. Reserved Business

10.1 There were a number of reserved items.

#### 11. Other Issues

11.1 The pedestrian access at Blacksmith's Common has yet to be installed. Action: T B-F

11.2 JP's proposals for dealing with the bales from the late hay cut were discussed. It was thought that there would be too much material to be dealt with by his system but if he wanted to carry out a trial T B-F could loan him a container, RA would supply other items.

11.3 The beekeepers on Mill Common are giving up. CR will ask, via a newsletter, if anybody in the village will be interested in taking over. Action: CR

11.4 There has been a suggestion that next year's field trip should be at Bedingham Hall Farm. CR will make contact with the farm. Action: CR

#### 12. Timetable for 2026 AGM

12.1 RA had drawn up a timetable between now and the AGM for the agreement of the Management Plan 2026 – 2027 and election of Directors. The date of the AGM will be 16<sup>th</sup> February.

#### 13. Any Other Business

13.1 There was no other business.

#### 14. Date of Next Meeting will be 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 22.18 hours.

J Bedwell  
23<sup>rd</sup> October 2025

2 Signed J. Bedwell

Date 12/01/2026