



Committee meeting held on Feb 11, 2021, 10:00 AM

6 Attendees: Holland, Cheek, Francis, Gotham, Hattersley, Gorden-Roe, Hurst
Zoom meeting due to the pandemic

Biodiversity and Trees:

3 Redwoods.

The question of Non-native trees e.g., Redwoods on Midsummer Common.

General agreement to support the tree planting. Noted the success of redwoods in other locations in C.

Probably a good idea to put it in the newsletter.

Meeting with Guy Belcher:

We agree we will do a walk with Guy around common - as soon as lock down is over.

This will help determine priorities for 2021

ORCHARD:

- Encourage the design as a resource for foraging insects
- Insect hotel. Seems to be easy to install.
- Would like to build a wild-flower bed.

License renewal for the Orchard is due from the council and is in process

FINANCE:

Spreadsheet circulated separately by Peter.

£700 balance at present.

Signs - we will investigate with the city. Steve mentions the need for an environmentally responsible sign. Jeremy would like a sign that stimulates thoughts about MSC - so we do not take it for granted. Steve would like to pursue a design with Peter that is environmentally responsible. ... after website is completed.

HEALTH AND SAFETY:

We are updating health and safety information for the Orchard and are asking volunteers to review and sign Will enforce conformity for all volunteers

COMMUNICATION:

Steve will send a link to a Google drive that can serve as a repository of your best pictures

Web site:

Newsletter: topics. Cows coming back, redwoods, council cow.

COW ON THE COMMON:

The city has agreed to the placement of a cow (statue?) on the Common.

INFORMING OUR MEMBERS:

Once per month protocol on ... Sue mentions 3 times per year.

Twitter and Facebook: Kate it's a good idea. We do have a Facebook page now. General agreement that we should do this. Sue OK with it.

EVENTS:

Both Strawberry and Midsummer are cancelled.

MIDSUMMER GATHERING

Agreed that Charlie should continue with his work on planning for the 2021 gathering

NEW CONSTITUTION

Jeremy will circulate a version Possible definite length of service for committee members before they need to be reaffirmed.