

**Notes of the Executive Committee Meeting held at 7.00pm at the Norman Centre, Budleigh Salterton on 19 March 2019**

Present: Bob Wiltshire (BW) Chairman, Penny Kurowski (PK) Hon Sec, Jon Roseway (JR) Hon Treasurer, Jacqui Baldwin (JB), Pat Porter (PP), Geoff Porter (GP), Clive Bowman (CB), Haylor Lass (HL), David Daniel (DD), Nicky Daniel (ND), and prospective EC members Martin Smith (MS) and Peter Baldwin (PB)

Apologies: George Maddaford (GM), Geoff Lake (GL), David Hatch (DH).

1 Minutes of the EC meeting held on 26 February were agreed and signed.

The EC discussed the following matters.

- 2 The Litter Pick arrangements and the possibility of inviting council leaders from East budleigh and Otterton to present prizes in future years as part of the event takes place in their parishes.
- 3 The Ruby Anniversary and Christmas Party – organisation for both is progressing well.
- 4 The visit to Stantyway farm – agreed to restrict numbers to 39, so all could hear commentary.
- 5 Updating the Natural Environment section of the website – MS and GP to action this.
- 6 The planning application for floating “Glamping Pods” on the lake at Bicton College and potential impact on this historic landscape. Advice is being sought from Devon Gardens Trust and the other expert bodies who are statutory consultees, and ND will follow their lead.
- 7 Building at 7 West Hill Lane, Budleigh Salterton. The EC discussed this project, where conditions of the approved planning application are not being met. ND has received representations from local residents.
- 8 The walks team are planning a walk for Heath Week.
- 9 AGM Preparations - it was agreed that only the Agenda and Minutes of the 2018 AGM should be printed in the Newsletter. At the meeting the Trustees Report (which will be agreed at the April 30<sup>th</sup> EC meeting) would be launched, and OVA members asked if they had any questions.
- 10 The Hon Treasurer’s report had been circulated and there was nothing further to report.
- 11 The Membership Secretary's report had been circulated. Numbers now stand at 839. CB asked people who are coding membership leaflets to do so on the right hand side.
- 12 It was agreed to mention the CPRE Symposium on the OVA website, as OVA members could get a discount. BW to contact a member who had expressed interest in the symposium.
- 13 An e-newspaper (Nub news) had asked the OVA to provide a monthly column. JB said she would do this. The EC discussed other publications, web-based and paper. PB to contact Heather Fereday who already posts to Hubcast and the Budleigh Diary and has the OVA password.
- 14 The OVA stall at Lambing Sunday at Bicton College. The EC agreed a more appealing and weatherproof stall should be obtained. PK to seek advice on suitable options from Kate Ponting.
- 15 The newsletter ready for the printers. BW congratulated JB on another good edition