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Minutes of the Open Spaces Committee Meeting held on Friday 4th March 2022 at 9.30am

Present: Cllr Sue Graham (Chair), Cllr Sylvia Cole, Cllr Matt Green, Cllr Michael Jackson, Jamie Torrence. Neil Pilcher and Clerk Marianne Lane

- 1. Apologies To receive apologies for absence and to consider whether to approve reasons given. **None received as all members present.**
- 2. Declarations of Interest To receive Declarations of Interest both pecuniary and non-pecuniary on agenda items. Cllr Sylvia Cole declared an interest in item 5 as being a member of the Paddock Group which owns the land around Sandham Bridge and Mill Race Bridge.
- 3. To approve minutes of 3rd December 2021 meeting. Resolved as a true record of the meeting.
- 4. Public Participation 15 minutes set aside for residents to raise issues on this agenda or raise issues for future consideration. **No Public Present.**
- 5. Mill Race Bridge on Brooky Lane. Jamie Torrence started work on the Mill Race Bridge, Willow Tree cut down, nettles strimmed. Work to carry on weather permitting hopefully w/c 7th March
- 6. Jubilee Park to consider
 - a) programme for planting of tree for the Queens Platinum Jubilee. Jamie Torrence to obtain quotation for Oak Tree and planting to take place in the spring. Suggested carved oak plaque as opposed to brass plaque to commemorate the Queens Platinum Jubilee.
 - b) develop plan to increase biodiversity of Park. Clerk to obtain large scale map of the park and then accumulate ideas to move forward.
- 7. Wildflower grass verge All paperwork submitted to LCC and awaiting information on when survey by NatureSpot will take place. Agreed to not mow proposed wildflower verge area for the time being.
- 8. To agree date and time of next OS committee meeting. Next meeting June 10th 2022 at 9.30am

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