

DARESBURY PARISH PLAN – NATURAL ENVIRONMENT ACTION GROUP

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD IN DARESBURY PARISH ROOMS ON THURSDAY 16th AUGUST 2007

Present: Lyn Goodkin (Chair)
 Alan Goodkin
 Mervyn Hogan
 Elaine Whitlow
 Geoff Ford
 Wendy Harding

DARESBURY NATURE RESERVE

The meeting started with a quick update of the proposed Nature Reserve.

Although we are waiting for Paul Oldfield to get back to us it was suggested that seating should be included in the Reserve.

VILLAGE WELL

It was agreed that rather than trying to replace the well it would be much more straight forward to have a plaque and flowers at the site to inform people about it.

It was suggested that we could have a Residents competition to design a ‘Trough and Plaque’.

Daresbury Parish Council could be approached in regard to the funding of the project.

Ownership of the well has still to be confirmed, Chris Marsh of Daresbury Properties is trying to find out.

TREEPLANTING

Chris Marsh will be contacted re tree planting on Daresbury Properties land to shield the silage bags on the southern exit from the village.

Tree planting along the verge of the A56 behind the village will be looked at. It would help to reduce the traffic noise. This would have to be approved by Halton BC.

The trees are available from Cheshire Landscape Trust. They are to be contacted regarding availability and range.

Elaine is going to check on tree planting in the Newton Lane, Morpheny Lane areas.

The Lewis Carroll site could be another area for tree planting (Nat. Trust representative to be contacted).

WILD FLOWERS

It was also suggested that Chris could be asked about land around the school with a view to developing a wildlife area that is local to the school.

An area around the edge of the churchyard could be created as a wildlife meadow.
The vicar to be contacted regarding this.

VILLAGE SIGNS

The possibility of erecting signs at the entrance to the village was raised. These would be totally independent of the Halton BC signs and would be placed at the 3 entry points.

Theme could be based on 'Alice in Wonderland'. Rural Cheshire etc.

Who would need to be contacted for permission for the signs needs to be determined.

If the go-ahead is given we need to speak to Daresbury Parish Council re funding.

LIGHT POLLUTION

It was agreed that from Halton B.Cs comments that there is nothing we can do about this nuisance.

RE-CYCLING

Re-cycling facilities are available at both the 'Ring o' Bells' and the 'Hatton Arms'.

'R'o'B' has facilities for glass and paper.

'Hatton Arms' for bottles, plastic bottles, cartons (eg Tetrapak), cans and cardboard.

ENERGY SAVING

Ian can provide a web site devoted to energy saving.

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We would like to hear from people who would be interested in starting a co-operative for the supply of heating oil.

NEXT MEETING

To be arranged (late Sep. early Oct.)