



BOX PARISH COUNCIL

A MEETING OF THE BOX HILL COMMON & RUDLOE MANAGEMENT AND RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE WAS HELD ON 30th JULY 2018

1. Present: Councillors: R. Case (Chairman); R. Davies; S. Gould; D. Moore; S. Parker; M. Tye; P. Van Praag; J. Whitford
Mrs Carey (Clerk)

2. Apologies Nil

3. Absent: Nil

4. Lacy Wood:

Prior to the meeting, the Committee had met with Richard Cripps at Lacy Wood who gave a hands on shared view and an educational talk on the state of the Wood and ideas for future its management.

Several issues arose from this:

- Putting up Nesting Boxes. Cllr Moore said that these could be made at The Shed and was advised that there appropriate designs for different birds on the website
- It was agreed that a Management Plan should be drawn up together with an Action Plan on how to deliver the work together with costings
- It was agreed that some of the grass on the grassed area could be left uncut to develop wild flowers etc but it was agreed that the neighbouring Ash and Sycamore trees would need managing to stop them self seeding
- Cllr Whitford did not see how the Parish Council could implement all of the Management Plan. However it was felt that the wood should be divided up into three sections so that each section could be dealt with separately.
- Shrubs and trees could be purchased from the nursery at Old Sodbury to ensure that they are native to the area
- The Parish Council could purchase mixed hedging whips for planting along the edge of the adjoining field – this would need the land owner's permission
- Article to be put in the Newsletter to notify the parishioners of some of the proposals

After discussion the following **recommendations** were made:

- that Cllr Tye be the lead Committee member for Lacy Wood
- that the Parish Council pays Richard Cripps £70 for the educational talk
- that Richard Cripps be asked to draw up a management and action plan for the next five to fifteen years at a cost of £150

5. Items of report and future Agenda items: Nil

6. Date of next meeting: 20th August 2018