



## MINUTES

### FOG LNR Executive Meeting Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at 7.15 pm, Crown Hotel, Colne

1. **PRESENT:** Peter Smith; Paul Clough; Dave Penney
2. **APOLOGIES:** Helen Holmes; Bernard Bracken
3. **MINUTES** of 7<sup>th</sup> August 2018 were accepted as a true record
4. **MATTERS ARISING:**
  - New padlock on green shed still secure; replacement shed cancelled;
  - New Volunteer, Linda Kegg, has helped with Working Parties dealing with tree management and rubbish clearance from Reserve and along river;
  - 2 more homeless drug addicts in tents on LNR – Environmental Health informed because of residue of needles left scattered around;
  - New List of Contacts placed in the Notice Board.
5. **FINANCIAL REPORT:**
  - Expenses: 1 Bow Saw (£7.51); Bank Balance: £2,451.24
6. **WORK PROGRAMME:**
  - Volunteer Manager Report: Paul has assessed work needed doing and has informed Lee Johnson;
  - Project using the Tesco Bag Grant: Paul has been in touch with Burnley Community Farm who will provide Volunteers in the New Year to undertake Works Programme under supervision of Paul; Account to be set up with Lanlee for materials;
  - Working Parties: As well as 1<sup>st</sup> Saturdays of month, Paul has also led some on Tuesdays; Quarterly Volunteer Hours to be submitted to Pendle BC to 1<sup>st</sup> December 2018; Working parties will stop from Dec - Feb and resume on Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2019 from 10 am;
  - Reserve received Gold Biodiversity Award as part of Colne in Bloom Growing Together Environmental Awards on 21<sup>st</sup> Nov in Town Hall;
  - David has responded to Consultation on Environmental Principles and Governance after Brexit which should be embodied in new Environmental Protection Act; Pendle BC and Lancashire Wildlife Trust have responded to Consultation on the actual Bill as designated Consultees;
7. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS:**
  - David will attend Pendle Green Network, promoted under Pennine Lancashire Community Farm, on 6<sup>th</sup> Dec – a possible source of Volunteers
  - David will link them with Pendle LNR Steering Group, which he will attend on 11<sup>th</sup> Dec;
  - David will attend Pendle Community Pride Event in Colne Town Hall on 13<sup>th</sup> Dec at 2 pm;
  - Consultation on Local Plan's Green Infrastructure Strategy; Lee Johnson has called in draft as it is deficient in addressing one of its aims: "the decline in species and habitats" and how biodiversity can be enhanced; final Strategy will be published for Consultation before Local Plan is submitted to Secretary of State;
  - RSPB is holding Big Garden Watch over the weekend, 26-28<sup>th</sup> Jan 2019;
  - David recommended that members look at Chris Packham's "People's Manifesto for Wildlife", which has 200 ideas on protecting and improving Biodiversity – a useful checklist.
8. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

**AGM, Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2019 at 7.15 pm, Crown Hotel, Colne**