

THURLEIGH ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT NETWORK

Meeting 29th June 2010

Present: Ian Soaft Chairman
 Liz Soaft
 Bill Boddington
 Richard Singleton
 Damon Goodyear
 Fiona Partlett

Apologies: Linda Singleton
 Kirsty Brewer

Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

Edging of Grass round village - Damon (ongoing)

Trees have been selected for village garden and green at end of The Close –

Trees will be replicated on The Green to match the other side.

As many fruit trees as possible will be sought for the village garden along with an Alder. Ian to advise Ed Burnett BBC to ring fence funds.

Any other Business

Parish Council expressed concern on potential fire Risk to the proposed shelter in village garden. Fiona is to investigate fire resistant coatings that could be applied before reporting back to Parish council,

Ian requested funds by way of an account at a Hire Company to enable suitable tools to maintain footpaths and bridleways. – Damon to place on agenda at forthcoming council meeting.

Ian has met with Dominic Howe, Rights of Way Officer, on several occasions, clearing footpaths from Robins Folly to Park End. Waymarker signs and new posts have been replaced by the Church and paddock. The hedgerow between Sam Garrets & Martin Towlers land has been opened up giving access to new permissive path on Scald End Farm.

Richard and Ian cleared footpath opposite Jackson's off Keysoe Road, and the footbridge to Cross End Lane has been cleared by Ian & Liz. Culvert at footpath in Cross End Lane has been put out to Contractors for renewal by BBC.

Footpath to left of playing field is blocked, and is subject of a court case between the Borough Council and a Rights of Way Group. The Playing Field Committee have agreed that walkers can continue walking the left hand side of the field pending a solution. (Please note there may be a restriction if a pay on entry event is being held on the field.) No-one wants to see removal of an attractive hedgerow full of wildlife.

Next Meeting 7 September 2010

