

ECONET MEETING 21 Jan 04 at Environment Centre

Present:

Paul Fincher CROW, Philip Allen CROW & BeC, John Lerpiniere, CROW, Kit Brownlee BBOWT RUWG, J Oliver Clayfield Copse. Dave Kenny Balmore Walk, Andrew Blake CROW

Apologies:

There was short notice for the meeting mainly because the Econet mailing list has not been updated. Kit asks all Econet members to let her have their contact address/email

1. Minutes read and passed

2. Matters arising:

Grass cutting machine: Philip & John to pursue and report in May

Action
John &
Phil

Waterways Forum: Dave Kenny attended, there was nothing to report from meeting. Since that meeting info has been released on proposals for an 'arts centre' in Kings/ Hills Meadow area. Next meeting 16th March 6.30 at Civic Chambers

Keys: Discussion followed on who has what keys. Kit will contact Beverley re a clear list of who needs which keys and when they are using them.

Action Kit

Website: Paul Fincher was congratulated on his work for the Econet website. Paul has also managed to find a sponsor for the site for the next two years. Paul will continue to update the site, (even if he goes to Japan !!!) The committee thanked him for the work done and voted for a fee for professional services of £50 to be paid to Paul

Tools Store Saturday 10th January: Confusion over new keys meant that access was not possible. Crow are to have a session there in April. The session will include checking the tools inventory, clearly marking all our tools with bright coloured tape, ordering replacements and labelling.

Action
CROW

Concern was voiced over the numbers of tools, all groups must be vigilant about the signing in and out of all tools, reporting breakages and losses, and giving notice of when the tools are being used. GO READING also need to have a copy of 'tools etiquette'

Caution: continuation of 21/1/04 minutes?

and let us know dates when tools are being used. Kit will discuss this with Beverley

Action Kit

The kettle and tray were missing from the kitchen Kit is to track them down.

Action Kit

Insurance: Phil Allen is to distribute copies of certificate of insurance to all member groups. (Phil will list all Econet member groups at the next meeting) Insurance covers people, tools and named premises for tools. Phil to ask groups to report on any tool stores currently in use.

Action Phil

Xmas Trees: Judith Oliver reviewed Xmas Tree sales. It was decided that a time schedule needs to be drawn up starting mid September, showing who is doing what, also a clear definition is needed of the nature of support to the sales given by RBC. The sales would be discussed again at a later meeting.

Action CROW

Removal of excess trees from the yard for chipping would be done by CROW on afternoon of Wednesday 28th Jan

Treasurer Report:

£600 would be deducted from funds for insurance which runs from 1st Jan to 1st Jan

The man hours covered by this, will need reviewing. Phil to bring predictions of man hours for 2005 to next meeting

Action Phil

Xmas tree sales: £1136 was taken. After deductions to CROW & BeC for felling and use of BeC van, notice board refreshment and donation to Econet funds, there should be £750 to distribute between groups who helped on sale days, roughly £150 for each day. Groups are to contact Phil who has a copy of the rota, to claim their 'cut'. Phil to bring treasurers report to next meeting

Action groups

Review of RBC support for Econet and the Environment

Centre: Feed back from Econet groups indicate there has been some lack of communication recently. Kit is to look at the past agreement RBC had with the groups, and ask the Parks Dept for definition of their current support.

Action Phil

Action Kit

RESCUE: No Econet event is planned for RESCUE

Dates of next Meetings: 18th March and 20th May J.L. to take minutes