

TRAFFORD WILDLIFE (VIRTUAL) ANNAL GENERAL MEETING - 20th January 2021

Present were:

Jennifer Wood	David Reeves	Geoff Densham	Peter Robinson
Janet Turnbull	Maura Baker	Yolanda Martinez	Dez Densham
Caroline Heaton	Hazel Powell	Daniel Wells	Liz Blackman
Steve Atkinson	Mike Pettipher	Catherine Pettipher	Gail Rainford
Tim Rogers	Marj Pownall		

1. Reports by the Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary as sent out with the agenda were presented. These together with the AGM minutes will be published on the TW website (**GD**).

2. Matters arising from reports:

2.1. Birch Moss Covert (BMC) has one further section of west path to be cleared.

2.2. Meeting agreed that up to £300 can be spent on heathers for BMC. DR looking into rotavators at own cost.

2.3. The main TW website cost was c.£200 for a 3 year contract from November 2019 (which provided a free year 3).

3. Meeting agreed that the Chairperson Jennifer W, Treasurer David R & Secretary Geoff D would continue in their roles.

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4. Noted that Friends of Salisbury Fields has recently come into existence. A new group working on this Environment Agency site.

5. Noted that there is a new mixed hedge behind Coppice Avenue Library. This hedge, planted in late 2019, has been damaged and would improve with some maintenance. Ongoing discussion.

6. Willow Tit project. The draft route and habitat types were talked through. Points arising:

6.1 WT like well rotted wood to nest in.

6.2 Tim R & Janet T would like to assist with development

6.3 Way forward:

6.3.1 Initial GD project plan will be an agenda item at the Friends of Carrington Moss Alternative Transformation Strategy meeting on 5.2.21. Attendees include Dr Mark Champion of Lancashire Wildlife Trust and Ross Harding of Cheshire Wildlife Trust. After this a project group meeting specifically on the WT topic will be set up

6.3.2 The most recent WT sighting was around the UU owned Altrincham Sewage Works. Access will be difficult as training & possibly escorts required in this active works.

6.3.3 WT activity surveys by volunteers in March/April will be in phases starting from Altrincham Sewage Works and Shell Pool. Although the most recent recorded sightings are 2012 **MP** will ask Shell pool people if there are more recent sightings.

6.3.4 WT potential habitat surveys will be in phases starting from Altrincham Sewage Works and (if there have been recent sightings) Shell Pool.

7. Next TW ordinary meeting in 6 months. Date to be arranged.