

# MINUTES & ACTIONS, CAVERSHAM GLOBE MEETING 27 September 2022 Held at Church House

Chair: NH Minutes WT

**Attendees:** Bob Busby, Dave Kenny, Nick Haskins, Wendy Terry, Chris Burden, Tim Castle, Lin Godfrey.

**Apologies:** Caroline Johnson, Andy Johnson, Jacopo Lanzoni, Vickie Abel, Wendy Rooke, Judith Barratt.

- 1) Minutes of last Globe meeting held at Church House on 26 July 2022 were approved.
- **2) Finance and Funding** Dave Kenny reported that a £500 donation has been received from Waitrose who are currently supporting nature and the environment. Discussion is needed to decide how this generous donation should be spent. A probable agenda item for the next meeting. (DK)

The annual Globe insurance, which is around £200, is due in November and the JANE Club have kindly offered to cover the cost of this.

- 3) Church Street Planters. No update.
- <u>4) Littter and Graffiti.</u> Graffiti kits are now available and those who have volunteered to help with grafitti cleaning need to be trained by RBC.

Thanks have been received from RBC and Festival Republic for the Globe clean-ups which took place over the Festival weekend. The litter situation was generally not too bad over the weekend but Caversham precinct was a litter hot spot and so was Reading Bridge.

### 5) Christchurch Meadows and Thames Parks.

- **a) Memorial Trees** The only outstanding issue with the trees is the memorial plaques. Dave suggested it would be good to wait until next year when the trees are more established. (DK)
- **b)** River Thames Clean-up A litter clean-up along the river is planned with Nick providing a boat to assist. A provisional date of mid-November was suggested. (NH/DK).
- c) Collapsed Willow Need to check whether RBC have dealt with the willow in the Danall. (DK/LG).
- **d) Sunken Boats** at Bucks Eyot by Caversham Bridge. These are still there and Nick offered to chase the EA again. (NH).
- 6) Chilterns AONB Dave reported that the latest Chilterns Newsletter states that the extended

AONB boundary is likely to come closer to urban areas. Luton Council have been actively pushing the Chilterns Conservation Board CCB for this. Wendy will contact Matt Rodda's office to arrange a further meeting to pursue this matter and ensure that Matt pursues this with CCB in our area too. (WT/DK).

<u>7) Wildflower Meadows</u> Dave reported that the grass at View Island and Balmore Walk have now been cut. The matter needs to be reviewed by RBC. (DK).

# 8) Planning Matters.

A revised planning application for Caversham Park is awaited.

**UPDATE Application P22/S1691/FUL Caversham Lakes**, this new retrospective planning application has been refused.

## 9) Advertising Hoarding Sites

- a) Bridge Street Triangle no update.
- **b) George Street Triangle** the purchasers of the site have formally objected to the TPO and have asked for permission to fell all the trees on site, except one. RBC have given permission. As there is a TPO covering them, the felled trees will need to be replaced. Keep in view.

#### 10) AOB

- **a) Felled Tree in Kidmore Road** Dave reported that RBC have felled a tree in Kidmore Road as the tree was deemed dangerous. Reading Tree Wardens have asked for it to be replaced. Awaiting confirmation from RBC. Keep in view. (DK)
- **b)** Cherry Trees Tim reported that he appoached Matt Rodda to suggest that a line of cherry trees be planted in Christchurch Meadows. Matt has written to RBC with the suggestion and has received a response stating that this would not be a suitable location. RBC have suggested a meeting to discuss a suitable location for the trees and Tim has agreed. Keep in view.(TC).
- c) Globe Water Bowser Lin asked that new storage be found for the bowser which is currently in her garden. The bowser needs to be stored under cover over the winter while it is not in use. UPDATE a new home for the bowser has now been found and it has been transferred. Thanks to Mark Palmer for storing it in his shed over the winter. Somewhere to store the bowser will be needed at the start of the watering season next year. (DK).

Next meeting Tuesday 22 November at 7.15 pm – at CHURCH HOUSE