



## FRIENDS OF RIDGE WOOD

Minutes of the Friends of Ridge Wood General

### Meeting

South Gloucestershire Council

Badminton Road, Yate

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2011

PRESENT:	Richard Aston	South Glos Council
	David Barlow	Webmaster
	Jill Hows	
	Tim Fairhead	Avon Wildlife Trust
	Margaret Thompson	
	Mary Capnos	
Apologies	Pauline Wilson	Avon Wildlife Trust
	David Bearne	
	Jane Renton	
	Chris Wilmore	Yate TC

#### 1. Minutes of revised AGM held on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2011

Minutes circulated.

#### 2. Matters Arising

RA – Group update: RA advised that no further suggestions / names have come forward for the current vacant group positions. RA to look at the Co-op and the outstanding grant balance as remaining. RA to check status of the grant.

In-Bloom 2011: Chipping Sodbury in Bloom received the Silver Gilt award for 2011.

Tim – provided an update on the local sites anti-social behaviour group. Confirmed that the group email has now closed and matters should be reported through the local safer stronger groups.

David – Bill of £34.99 outstanding for the anti virus computer software – RA to sort this now accounts information has been forwarded.

#### 3. Replacement Interpretation Panel

RA updated the group on the recent consultation / comments received. New version to be produced and ordered. RA to update at next meeting.

#### **4. Activities update:**

RA reported that unfortunately the Bat Walk on 20<sup>th</sup> September had to be cancelled due to heavy rain. Richard Cook and David Barlow did kindly turn out in case anyone turned up on the night.

Ridge Wood Owl Prowl – Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October. RA confirmed that Ian McGuire is booked to lead the Owl prowl. John Morris from South Gloucestershire Council will be covering the event this year.

Group agreed to organise a work morning for Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November. RA to organise materials.

#### **5. Woodland management works – 2011/12**

RA reported that work has begun on the putting together the programme of woodland works for winter 2011/12. As part of site management regime trees will be inspected by the Council's Tree Officer this year along the main site paths.

Update at next meeting.

#### **Date of Next Friends of Ridge Wood Meeting**

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2011

7pm.

Location: Yate Fire Station – Community Meeting Room