

## **RHSO (Rivers Heritage Site and Orchard)**

### **Committee Meeting 17/09/18 @ 23 Rowney Gardens 1930**

**Present:** Ruth, Eric, Hazel, Dave, Adrienne, Nickie, Geoff

**Apologies:** Robinne, Eugene, Elizabeth W, Keith

**Minutes of last meeting** – these were agreed by all present

#### **Finance:**

Hazel reported that the SWBS account had a current balance of £3123.43 and £338.40 from the Scarecrow weekend would be added and £15 deducted for EOP membership. Money for the juicing will have to be paid by cheque or a volunteer pay it and claim back as there is no facility to do bank transfer from SWBS

#### **Town Walk**

Timing is 11 – 2. Adrienne will take everything needed. Ruth and Robinne have also offered to help, Geoff will help with setting up. STC will be providing gazebo and table.

#### **Apple Day – 6<sup>th</sup> October**

10 – 3 Adrienne ordering all necessary equipment & taking the refreshment box. Ruth will provide her table.

Hazel and Dave will use marker pens to write which trees the apples come from on buckets

Ruth and Hazel will take posters around town

Adrienne putting arrows up

Parking was discussed, all posters etc say entrance by Crest

Risk assessment to Richard ahead of the event, all named to have a copy of assessment

Adrienne to write up a safety list to put on poster & give to volunteers

Nickie to request help from volunteers and tell of extra maintenance session to prepare site

Eric to research van, gp discussed option of 'man & van' but considered too risky

#### **Wassail**

A short discussion on the Wassail was held – provisional date: 19th January. Matters are still subject to STC acceptance of our risk assessment and possibly contact with hospital. Ensuring adequate lighting of area may be a key issue. We will discuss in detail at the next meeting in the meantime:

Eric to check with Richard re risk assessment

Dave to check out the lighting

Ruth to ask hospital re parking

#### **Xmas Lighting – last Sat in November (24<sup>th</sup> Nov)**

C/f For next meeting we need to be clear on times of the event and start earlier. We could also apply for a licence to sell mulled cider.

**Other events to be explored** – Bishops Stortford lights, C/F

Blowing bubbles to salute the blossom will be investigated for another year

We will consider buying our own gazebos etc in future meetings

**AOB** Next meeting Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October @ 23 Rowney Gardens. Meeting closed at 10.00pm