

IDE PARISH COUNCIL
Ide Community Orchard Management Group

Minutes of the meeting of the Ide Community Orchard Management Group held on Friday 8 September 2023 at 1 Station Road.

Present: Nick Bradley (NB), Mel Liversage (ML), Julian Perrett (JP), Jessica Paine (JLP) and Mark Thomas (MT) (Chair).

		Action
1.1	Opening Comments	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank you for attending on a Friday night. 	
1.2	Apologies	
	Noted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • apologies were received from Richard Cottle (RC), Andy Bragg (AB), James Romain (JR) and Richard Sharman (RS). 	
1.3	Declarations of interest	
	Noted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
1.4	Minutes of the meeting of the Ide Community Orchard Management Group held on 17 July 2023	
	Noted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add 21 Oct 2023 to Minute 4.3 regarding date for Apple Day 	JLP
	Agreed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • subject to the above amendment the minutes of the meeting held on 17 July 2023 were an accurate record; • the revised minutes to be published on the Ide Parish Council website. 	ML
1.5	Actions Arising	
	Noted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4.2, 4.4 & 7.3 – Completed • 11.1 - Assistance will be needed to help identify the species of some of the older trees. The newly planted trees have all been labelled. Action completed. 	JLP
2.1	Management Plan	
	Noted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The plan needs to demonstrate the aspirations for the site and how the group envisages the continued process in taking the Orchard from a neglected paddock to a traditional managed orchard. • The final plan will need to be approved by IPC. 	
	Agreed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final draft to be circulated to ICOMG by 11 Sept for comments. • Final version to be submitted to Chair and Clerk of IPC for inclusion in the agenda of the next meeting of IPC. 	JP JP
2.2	Nest Box Proposal	

	<p>Noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RSPB reviews were positive and this would be interesting content to share on an Orchard website. There are still funds available from the RHS grant to contribute to the purchase. 	
	<p>Agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To proceed with the purchase of the Nest Camera from the RSPB at a cost of £235.00. Utilise remaining balance of RHS grant to fund purchase, any shortfall to be funded from general ICO monies. 	<p>MT</p> <p>PW</p>
3.1	Receipts and payments summary to 30 June 2023	
	<p>Noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A donation of approximately £1,500 is anticipated from Sue Cloke and family. 	
4.3	Autumn Harvest and Juicing Day	
	<p>Noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The date for the event is 21 October 2023. A risk assessment will be required and confirmation of relevant insurance. No dogs to be permitted in the Orchard for the event. The public will need to bring their own bottles. 	
	<p>Agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planning meeting set for 4 Oct, 7pm, 1 Station Road for those that can attend. Publish event in the Ide Times - deadline 20 Sept. 	<p>MT</p> <p>ML</p>
5.1	Any other business	
	<p>Noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
5.3	<p>Date of the next meeting</p> <p>Wednesday 1 November 2023 at 19:00 . Venue - 1 Station Road, Ide.</p>	