

Dunbar Community Woodland Group
Site Meeting of 12 June 2001 at 7.30 pm
Held in Lochend Wood
Meeting Notes

1. Present

S Bell, J Cowan, C Elliot, P Revell, J Thomson, K. Wilson.

2. Apologies

R Lesso

3. Play Area

The main purpose of the meeting was to establish roughly the boundaries to the prospective play area and to discuss layout and features for retention. It was agreed that the walnut tree would likely form the centre-piece of the area and that the yew and the cedar would form part of the natural boundary. PR to inspect the site again with the council officials. This will take place at 9.30 on Friday 15 June.

Thereafter PR to progress with K. Ross. It was proposed that beyond the play area the developer should have his focus directed to path network and the removal of dead/dangerous trees.

4. Other Issues

Pond at southern end needs attention. Cockburn Association/ THI (Townscape Heritage Initiative?) may find the pond upgrade. Noted that there is a badger set nearby which we should keep an eye on.

Woodland Grants

PR had a useful meeting with J. Afleck of the Forestry Commission when it was confirmed that we would be eligible for both a woodland improvement grant and a woodland management grant. More details would be required such as areas in order to establish the extent of grant available.

Community Council have funds for environmental work and which we may be eligible for.

SWT to carry out a woodland survey towards the end of June.

Countess Youth Centre want to get involved with our activities. We to liaise with Ann Hampshire.

Shelter Belt to sports field needed.

SNH potential funding for employee. To be considered at later stage.

Broxmouth Estate is presently for sale and given the extensive woodland this should be monitored.

5. Woodland Survey part 2

To take place this Sunday from 1.30 pm. All welcome. Meet where new road ends.

6. Date of Next meeting (provisional)

Thursday, 12 July at 7.30 in Community Schools Office.