

## **Radley Parish Council**

Report of Meetings of the Village Pond Management Committee held at Radley College on Monday, 2 February 2004; at 7pm and Saturday, 14 February 2004; at 2 pm

Present: Mr Nigel Franklin, representing Radley Primary School,  
Mr Paul Gamble, representing Radley College,  
Cr Denis Standen, representing Radley Parish Council  
Clerk of Radley Parish Council

### **1. Remit of Management Committee**

Work would be carried out in accordance with the report obtained by the Parish Council, and a report would be made to the Parish Council:

### **2. Issues considered:**

- (a) Management of the Pond
- (b) The perimeter area
- (c) Fencing
- (d) Safety of support wall at road edge of site. IT WAS AGREED that the OCC Highways Department should be asked to inspect this as a matter of urgency.
- (e) Trees - Roadside and around Village Pond. The Management Committee coppiced one willow by the pond, but considered that expert advice was required on action in relation to the larger trees. Some of the trees appeared to be supporting the roadside wall, and there was concern about the outcome when these were cut back. IT WAS AGREED that a meeting with Simon Ringrose should be arranged.

### **3. Work to be carried out:**

- (a) Remove gold fish from the pond, as they were detrimental to other livestock in the pond. IT WAS AGREED that local residents, via Radley News, should be asked not to add livestock to the pond.
- (b) Advice required on clearance and stocking of pond. Suggested approaches - Mary Lambe, Vale of White Horse DC; Rod d'Ayala, Ecologist; Innogy; Oxford Brookes University.
- (c) Mark footpaths and seed March/April: Footpaths were marked, and Radley College Boys would clear these areas and sow wild flower/meadow grass seed provided through Radley College. It was thought that Radley College boys could look after the Green and Red areas throughout the term time (See attached Plan).
- (d) Nesting Boxes/Hedgehog box/Bird Feeders would be provided via donations/Radley College/RSPB. It was thought that Radley College boys could arrange a weekly roster for filling the feeders.
- (e) Provision of Notice Board by gate.
- (f) Padlock with five keys to be provided.

### **4. Funding**

It was suggested that an application for funding should be made to Awards for Hall, which gave a maximum of £5,000. As this would be a good resource for children from the local primary school, and possibly wider, it was thought it would meet the criteria.

### **5. Meetings of Management Committee**

The Management Committee would meet twice a year, February and September, and would be in contact in between times as and when necessary.