

## **All Stretton Flood Forum Minutes**

**230pm Monday 7/4/25 chez Janet Ferguson, Batch Valley**

Present: Mike Goode (Chair), Chris Naylor (Secretary), Janet Ferguson, David Freeman, Caroline Crump, Steve Burrows, Simon Barber, Sophie Davies, Susan and George Gent

### **1 All Stretton stream survey details & actions**

Kate had circulated her v helpful reports from visit with Caroline [anyone not have those please ask!]. Caroline updated the meeting and discussion focused on need to:

- reduce stream bed to match level established by council when clearing culvert
- remove any problem trees (3) as low as possible
- identify access routes and skip location
- get relevant permissions - from residents and from council
- check insurance situation

There was general agreement that a volunteer working party might carry out the streambed works. However the trees might need specialist help.

Caroline/Kate would liaise with council. Steve offered to approach Amco Giffen about poss practical help as per their offer letter.

Mike keen this sorted before autumn rains - and shd be basis for annual maintenance.

### **2 National Trust progress report**

As attached. Meeting expressed thanks and appreciation that this had now progressed.

### **3 Local fund raising and targets**

Simon set out positive progress including £500 from UBVRG and £500 from NT. Steve had applied to CSTC for £1500. Chris would contact Millichope. It was hoped the UBVRG donation could be used to leverage similar sums from LS and CS. Janet also flagged the possibility of personal donations, to be invited as the target approached.

### **4 All Stretton Flood Forum website & bank account**

Mike had set up account with Lloyds. Mike, Simon, Steve as signatories. Website name proposed as 'Strettons Flood Action Group'. One site for all three Strettons, so sep pages for each. Need to gather photos from the floods. Also personal stories.

Important too to help signpost on to eg NFF Helpline

### **5 Listing of local land owners whose access permissions will be needed for the survey and subsequent work.**

The different needs for permissions in different parts of the Strettons were discussed. Adjacent to Church Stretton the Mynd ownership was largely the NT. In the vicinity of Little Stretton and All Stretton ownership was more mixed. It was agreed the commoners needed to be notified, either via Patrick as he suggested before, or perhaps by another commoner. Simon offered to progress.

### **6 Confirmation of All Stretton Flood Forum Hon Officers:**

- a. Trustees voted to co-opt Simon Barber as a Trustee till the next AGM
- b. No other alternatives having been suggested, Hon Officers were proposed as follows:  
Mike Goode, Chairman  
Steve Burrows, Treasurer  
Simon Barber, Fundraiser
- c. Trustees then voted to approve Hon Officers as above

### **7 Any other Business**

- a. The collapsed wall ownership issue was still unresolved.
- b. It was suggested that Peter Housman (hydrogeologist) might be a useful contact

### **8 Date of next meeting - 230pm Monday 19th May**