

## MARPLE LOCKS HERITAGE SOCIETY

### Minutes of the meeting held at Top Lock Marine on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2008

Present: David Hoyle, Alison Allcard, Bob Woodgate, Craig Wright, Malcolm Allcard and Paul Woodhead  
In the absence of Peter, David took the chair.

#### ACTION

**Apologies:** Peter Clarke and Brian Nash  
Minutes of the last meeting were approved.

**Matters Arising:** Education – all Headteachers now had been informed  
Display boards are being stored at Pauls

#### Lock 17:

No update. Malcolm considered the gates to be set too high, it was thought that the stone sides could maybe be raised and back-filled with soil.

#### Task days:

Craig reported that the kerbstones are at the Eco Centre, we need a team to load and unload. Craig and Malcolm will measure exact length we need. If the stones could be brought to BW maintenance yard on a lorry with a hi-ab, they could then be loaded onto a boat and taken down the locks when needed instead of storing them in the park. Alison would approach BW for permission. **AA**

#### AGM:

This was fixed for 12<sup>th</sup> February 8 pm – Alison had booked the Guide HQ and the speaker, Peter Scott from the Stockport Canal Society. A draft agenda was drawn up including Chairman's report, Treasurer's report, an update of the work that has been done over the year, a report on the Festival followed by the speaker's presentation and refreshments. Paul would do posters and Alison would inform all members **PW/AA**

#### Treasurers report:

Balance stands at £1180 which includes the funding for the plaque for Lock 17. Membership database needs bringing up to date, David will liaise with Bob. The Insurance premium is due for payment. **DH/BW**

#### Christmas Tree Festival:

This had been a successful publicity exercise, thanks to Diane and Paul who had made all the decorations and taken photos for the record. Members were keen to repeat this next year.

#### AOB:

Craig once again expressed concern about the danger to children at the open bywash by Lock 10, he wondered whether a grating could be put over the outlet, we had had no response from BW on this matter following the previous minutes. Alison would mention again and ask a representative from BW to attend the AGM. **AA**

**Next meeting: Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2008 2 pm at Top Lock Marine.**