Peoples Park Wildlife Area Committee Meeting,
Wednesday $4^{\text {th }}$ February 2015, at $4: 30 \mathrm{pm}$

Present: Georgina Ford, Kendra Ezekiel, Laura Conyngham and Clare Dalley
Absent: Liz Brookes-Hocking, Dan Webb
9 To receive and accept apologies
Apologies were received and accepted from Frank Letch.
10 Declarations of Interest
None declared.

11 Peoples Park Wildlife Area Working Group Minutes - To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Peoples Park Wildlife Area Working Group Meeting held on $7^{\text {th }}$ January 2015.
It was resolved to approve and sign the minutes of the Peoples Park Wildlife Area Working Group Meeting held on $7^{\text {th }}$ January as a correct record.

12 Matters Arising
There were no matters arising.
13 To discuss the research carried out for the acquisition of woodchip for the area and agree a course of action.
Clare advised members of the research she had carried out and the prices she had obtained for the wood chip. It was resolved to instruct Hooper Services to supply, deliver and spread 4 loads of wood chip (approx. 4 tonnes) after $18^{\text {th }}$ February 2015.

It was agreed that on the $18^{\text {th }}$ February 2015 Kendra, Yvonne and Laura would re-lay the weed membrane in readiness for the woodchip to be spread. Clare confirmed she would ensure that the weed membrane was with them by 10.00 am on $18^{\text {th }}$ February.

14 To discuss the quotations obtained for the purchase of conservation hedging for the area and agree a course of action.
Clare advised members of the research she had carried out and the prices she had obtained for purchase of conservation hedging. It was resolved to order a conservation hedging pack (containing 50 plants - £27.50) and 10 spindle whips ( $£ 5.50$ ) from Perrie Hale Nurseries, at a total cost of £48 + VAT including carriage (£15).

It was agreed these would be planted on $18^{\text {th }}$ February 2015.
15 To discuss the plan of the area together with a list of suggested plants and agree a course of action.
A copy of the plan, together with a timetable and a list of suggested plants were provided $\psi$ by Kendra, copies of which are attached to these minutes. All members thanked Kendra for her hard work on devising the plan. The plan was discussed and the list of plants was
considered to establish which can be provided by members of the group and which ones were still needed. Clare updated the plant list by adding a red dot to those plants still required and a green square for those being provided by members.

It was agreed for Clare to issue a press release, as well as e-mail the Town Council's contacts, asking people to donate the plants needed.

Yvonne has the bug hotels project in hand and is acquiring materials for the project. Hayward's and Landscore Schools had agreed for children to be involved in the project.

Clare advised that Tesco had confirmed they have set aside some funds for the purchase of fruit trees and plants for the project and may have some helpers able to assist with the planting.

It was recommended that Clare make contact with Ernest Jackson to see if their community fund could be of assistance as well.

16 To discuss and agree any further actions required in order to progress the project. It was agreed that Kendra would speak to Linda Leaver at Sustainable Crediton regarding Sustainable Crediton's Seed Share Day.

It was agreed the next meeting would be on Wednesday $4^{\text {th }}$ March 2015 at 4.30 pm
17 Close
The meeting closed at 5.55 pm




Peoples Park Wildlife Garden

## Seasonal Plan/2015



Edibles


Apple Malus domestica

Sun
Edible, blossoms provide great source of nectar and pollen. Very Bee friendly


Elder Sambucus nigra
Sun/part shade
Deciduous shrub, late spring flower provides nectar for many insects, berries are eaten by birds and mammals. Foliage provides larval food for caterpillars


Hazel Corylus avellana

## Sun/Part shade

Deciduous shrub, important species for all kinds of wildlife, but is especially vital for the hazel dormouse. Mass of white flowers from February, nuts appear in autumn.


Gooseberry Ribes uva-crispa

Part shade
Edible, deciduous shrub. Berries for birds and mammals


Raspberry Rubus idaeus
Sun/ partial shade.

Edible, deciduous shrub Nectar source for bees and butterflies.
Berries for birds and mammals



## Sun/part shade

Native shrub, leaves provide larval food for the Spindle ermine moth, good autumn colour, bright pink and orange berries over winter provide food for birds and other creatures


Hawthorn Craetagus monogyna
ORDERED
Sun /part shade
Thorny shrub ('May-tree') During the autumn and winter, red fruits known as 'haws' provide food for birds. Common Hawthorn is a rich habitat for all kinds of wildlife from Hawthorn Shield Bugs and Yellowhammers that feed on the haws, to Wood Mice and Slow Worms that shelter in the thorny thickets.


## Blackthorn Prunus spinosa

ORDERED

## Sun/part shade

Thorny shrub with masses of white flowers in March/April, deep purple fruits (known as 'sloes') during autumn /winter. Blackthorn is an important species for all kinds of wildlife, but is especially vital for the rare Black Hairstreak butterfly who lays its eggs in Blackthorn hedges. Here, they overwinter and the caterpillars emerge in spring ready to feed on the Blackthorn.


Dog Rose Rosa canina
ORDERED

## Sun/part shade

Scrambling shrub, sweet-scented pink or white flowers in June /July. In the autumn, it produces bright red rosehips that are often eaten by birds and small mammals such as bank voles.


Guelder Rose Viburnum Opulus
ORDERED

## Light shade

Native shrub, white flowers in spring, red berries for birds in winter, leaves provide autumn colour


Butterfly bush Buddleia davidii

Sun
Non- native, but essential shrub for butterflies, purple flower, July to August Vigorous, traditionally pruned back hard in March


Flowering currant Ribes Sanguineum

## Sun

Deciduous shrub, early flowering, nectar for bees, edible berries, cover for birds and insects


Berberis Berberis


Sun/ part shade
Evergreen shrub, mass of orange flowers in spring, butterfly, bee and moth friendly, berries eaten by Winter Thrush, nesting site for many birds


Winter flowering Honeysuckle Lonicera fragrantissima


Part shade

Deciduous shrub, scented, flowers on bares stem for winter interest


Mahonia Mahonia aquifolium

Shade

Evergreen shrub, bright yellow flowers in spring useful for bees, butterflies, larval plant for moths, blue berries eaten by birds


Holly Ilex aquifolium


Sun/shade
Native evergreen tree, red berries for birds, habitat for nesting, flower buds in spring provide larval food for Holly blue butterfly


Dead Nettle Lamium galeobdolon


Part/full shade
Variegated leaf, summer flower provides nectar and pollen for bumblebees


Periwinkle Vinca minor


Part shade
Hardy, evergreen, trailing habit suitable for banks


Wild Primrose Primulus vulgaris


Part shade
Evergreen, early spring flower, nectar source for butterflies


Sweet Violet Viola odorata


## Part shade

Edible, scented, evergreen woodland plant, nectar source for bees, larval food for fritillaries


Bloody Cranesbill Geranium sanguineum


Sun
Low growing border plant, summer flower, nectar source for butterflies and bees


Selfheal Prunellavulgaris


## Sun/ Part shade

Low growing, dense foliage, bluish purple flowers, nectar and pollen source for bumble bees

Tall perennials and grasses

|  | Carex |  |
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|  | Sun |  |
|  | Hardy, low, clump forming, border plant |  |



Woodrush Luzula nivea


Sun
Grassy foliage, medium height, white summer flower


## Yarrow Achellia millefolium



Part shade/sun
Native wild flower, nectar /pollen for bees, hoverflies and some butterflies, like the Small Copper


Teasel Dipsacus fullonum


Sun

Hardy biennial, nectar for butterflies and bees, seed heads for goldfinches in the winter. Architectural structure for back of bed


Verbena Bonariensis


Sun

Hardy, tall airy stems fill gaps, purple flowers, late summer/autumn nectar source for butterflies


Cardoon Cyanara cardunculus

Sun

Hardy, tall architectural plant, purple thistle like flowers, summer/autumn nectar for bees


Ox Eye Daisy Leucanthemum


Sun
Tall, prolific wild flower for growing in drifts, summer to autumn


Michelmas Daisy Aster novae

Sun
Tall, pink y blue flowers, nectar for butterflies, moths and bees from summer to autumn


Perennial Cornflower Centaurea


## Sun

Blue flowers, from summer to autumn, foliage hugs ground


Perennial Poppy Papaver orientale


Sun

Showy summer flower, good middle bed plant


Chamomile Chamaemelum nobile

Scented flowers, herbal use, pollen for bees


Honesty Lunaria annuia
Got some, need more

## Sun/ shade

Hardy Bienniel, purple flower in April May, nectar for early butterflies. Food plant for Orange Tip caterpillar. Attractive seed pod


Evening Primrose Oenothera

## Part shade/sun

Bienniel, scented, night- flowering, nectar for moths


FoxIglove Digitalis pupurea


Part shade/shade
Bienniel, tall spired flower, nectar for bees


Red Campion Silene dioica

Sun/shade
Hardy, spring-winter flowering, nectar for bees and butterflies


Jacob's Ladder Polemonim caerulium


Part shade
Lavender blue flowers in spring, nectar for bees, attractive pinnate leaf


Columbine Aquilegia vulgaris

## Sun/shade

Bell shaped flowers on tall upright stem, nectar for bumble bees in late spring/early summer

## Green foliage/ groundcover



Shield Fern Dryopteris affinis

Full/part shade
Native plant, architectural foliage, easily grown,


Lady's Mantle Alchemilla Mollis
light shade
Good edging plant, pretty pleated leaves collect dewdrops.


Sweet Cicely Myrrhis odorata

Part shade
Edible plant, lacy foliage and white umbel shaped flower


Greater Celandine Chelidonium majus

Part Shade
Beautiful light green leaves brightens shady areas


Lily of the Valley Convallaria majalis


Part Shade
Low growing, native wild plant, scented spring flower


Stinking Hellebore Helleborus foetidus

Part Shade
Native plant, evergreen foliage, winter flower


Wild Strawberry Fragaria vesca

## Sun/part shade

Edible fruit for birds, small white flower, nectar for bees, carpets ground with runners, prevents erosion on slopes and provides cover for insects


Speedwell Veronica chaemaedrys
ALREADY THERE

## Sun/shade

Hardy, good bank plant, small blue flowers in mid spring/summer, nectar for bumble bees


Lesser Stitchwort Stellaria graminea
ALREADY THERE

Sun/part shade
Grassy bank plant


Ivy Hedera Helix
ALREADY THERE

All positions
Hardy, evergreen, flower is last source of nectar in the year for most insects, provides cover for winter hibernation, prevents soil erosion on bank


Creeping Rosemary Rosemarinus protratus

## Sun

Hardy, low growing evergreen herb, scented blue flower in spring, used to trail over walls and slopes


Grape Hyacinth Muscari Armenia

## Par shade/Sun

Scented blue flowers attract early bees and butterflies in spring. Easily established bulbous plant, forms dense carpets


Snowdrop Galanthus nivea

Part/full shade
Late winter flower, best naturalized around specimen tree, early source of nectar for insects emerging from hibernation


English Bluebells Hyacinthoides non-scripta

## Part/full shade

Endangered British native, best naturalized under deciduous canopy. Bee friendly


| Sweet Wood ruff Galium |  |
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| Part/fullshade | white flower with dense matted foliage |
| Bugle Ajuga reptans | erect blue flowers in spring/summer, bumble <br> bee friendly |



Wild Garlic Allium schoenoprasum

Part shade
Edible, easily forms dense carpet from late winter to late spring, flower from April to May


Cyclamen Cyclamen hederfolium

Part/full shade
Good naturalized under tree, evergreen foliage, pink flower in autumn/winter, nectar source for solitary bees, hoverflies and moths


Hart's- tongue Fern Asplenium scolopendrium
sun and shade
Hardy evergreen for winter interest

