## Minutes of Loxley Environment Group - 13/6/17, 7.30pm

Present: Julie Fewins (chair), Jonathan Baker, Dan Bate, Glynn Jones, Apologies: Maria Garcia

- 1. **Letter from Local landowner** (Peter Gregory Hood at Loxley Hall) requesting style and kissing gate replacements. This is a good start to our work as it shows a local landowner keen to engage with us and could provide a benchmark for future work.
- 2. Feedback from Community walk. This was received positively. A mix of residents attended of differing abilities and ages (18 people plus 3 dogs). Some residents had never done the walk before and many asked when is the next one. Positives: opportunity for comfort break at café, idea and concept good. Positive feedback, community engagement Actions to improve: food laid on, formal meet up afterwards; grade walks clearly to indicate level of difficulty. Actions: Next walk calendared for 16th September, 11am. Walk to Houndshill pub there and back. Publicise in Grapevine, (Julie, also write up last walk and include photo) send out a flyer as before (Dan), publicise on website.(Glynn).
- 3. Feedback on Footpaths and next steps to improve local paths – Jonathan has re-walked Ettington walk and taken photos, Glynn and Julie have also re-walked their walks and have an idea of what needs doing. Dan and Maria still to confirm. It was decided to utilize the Lengthsman for remedial work initially as we had time budgeted for left this year. Maria in charge of this via Parish council. Once we have used this time, there will be a need to recruit more people to build a team to do work on footpaths.

Actions: Glynn/Maria to pursue Lengthsman. Start our work with installing a kissing gate on entrance to footpath at Loxley Hall replacing a style. Jonathan to liaise with council and raise job and request more way marker signs.

Next meeting date: tbc

Meeting closed 8.30pm Julie Fewins