

Hemyock Parish Council
Commons Management Group Meeting
held at Longmead, Hemyock at 7.30pm on 18th February 2016

Subject	Action
1. <u>Present</u> Mr S Clist (Chair), Mr N Moon, Mr P Doble, Mr L Povah, Ms J Pritchard, Mrs D Evans (Parish Clerk), and 1 member of the public (Mrs J Moon)	
2. <u>Declarations of Interest/Dispensations</u> 2.1 Mr S Clist declared he has a personal interest as he is a member of Devon Wildlife Trust (DWT). DWT provides advice on the management of the commons. 2.2 Mr N Moon declared he has a personal interest as he is a member of the rough shoot syndicate which uses Hemyock & Shuttleton Commons. 2.3 Mr P Doble declared a personal interest as he owns land adjoining Shuttleton Common.	
3. <u>Minutes of Last Meeting</u> PROPOSAL: The minutes of the 21 st January meeting are approved. PROPOSED: Mr P Doble SECONDED: Ms J Pritchard DECISION: passed (all in favour).	
4. <u>Matters arising</u> 4.1 Volunteering Day – It was agreed that a volunteering day, under Ed Hopkinson’s supervision, shall be arranged for Sunday 13 th March at 10am. 4.2 Website – clerk has added an additional page to the council’s section of the village website. Ideas suggested for the page included:- month by month details of what visitors might look out for ref wildlife, introduction to the CMG, short write up on each common, link to footpath walk up to Hemyock Common, pictures of common and wildlife. The clerk advised that a group has been set up to look at updating/revamping the village website. Clerk to continue with plan to set up page on existing website. Mr P Doble suggested his daughter, Hayley, may be able to offer some advice on website design. Clerk to ask Ed Hopkinson if he has any old pictures of Hemyock Common which the parish council may display at the Annual Parish Meeting.	All Clerk Clerk
5. <u>Hemyock Common & Shuttleton Common</u> 5.1 Members of the CMG met with representatives from the Gun Club and MDDC Environmental Health Officers to discuss the shooting positions. Amendments to the existing positions were agreed. Mr S Clist apologised to Mr Moon and the rest of the group for not communicating the outcome of this meeting and new shoot positions sooner. 5.2 Shuttleton – clerk to obtain price from contractor to mulch top Shuttleton end May/beginning of June. 5.3 Clerk to obtain advice/guidance from Ed Hopkinson on the use of spreading cow slurry over the fire breaks to kill the bracken.	Clerk Clerk
6. <u>Lickham & Ashculme Turbaries</u> Nothing to report from DWT. Clerk to chase Matt Boydell for an update.	Clerk
7. <u>Owleycombe Common</u> AONB will visit the site to survey it much later this year, when the weather is suitable.	
8. <u>Hemyock Community Orchard & Environmental Area</u> The potential parcel of land is not registered with the Land Registry. Mr S Clist to approach owner of neighbouring land to establish if ownership is known.	SC
9. <u>Items raised by Chairman</u> Nothing to report.	
10. <u>Items raised by Councillors/Clerk</u> Nothing to report.	
11. <u>Public Participation</u> Nothing to report.	
12. <u>Summary of Recommendations/Information</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Webpage ready for 1st March 2016 • Volunteering day Shuttleton Common Sunday 13th March at 10am. 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New agreed shoot positions for Gun Club on Hemyock Common. • Shuttleton Common – mulch top end May/beginning of June. 	
13. <u>Next Meeting</u> 7.30pm on Thursday 21 st April 2016 at Longmead	

Meeting closed at 8.50pm

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