



## Community Landscape Archaeology Survey Project

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### Minutes of the Organizing Committee 18<sup>th</sup> January 2016

#### 1. Attendance

1.1 R. Close, J. Aveling, G. Boreham, S. Deacon, N. Garnett, D. Hayward, J. Johns, T. Kesten, J. Smith, A. Standish, S. Young, G. Hatton and P. Knight also attended

#### 2. Apologies: A. Evans

#### 3. Matters arising

3.1 Milton Keynes Museum have provided a donation to CLASP

3.2 The tee shirt project has been put on hold

#### 4. LIDAR will be a topic at the next meeting

5. Review of the AGM. The Chairman was pleased with the numbers who attended. The mix up over the room allocated to us at Bugbrooke was not our fault, but in future we must ensure that we know what we are getting when a booking is made. The speakers were excellent but it was resolved to have two speakers in future. The raffle is to occupy less time. This year's AGM venue is yet to be decided but it will take place in the week 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> October

6. Our charges for magnetometry work were confirmed as £160 for non-CLASP members and £125 for members.

7. CLASP's involvement with MOLA[N] at the Upper Heyford Roman site, together with NARC and NNPASt, was reviewed. It was felt that the experience had benefited the society greatly and forged a useful link with commercial archaeology. Gren Hatton reported he was having regular dialogue with Cotswold Archaeology over the Barby Hill site. Work at Barn Close may not happen this year due to the crop cycle, but SY and Jennifer Smith will speak to Mr Church.

8. Some areas of focus for COC in 2016 were discussed. The COC chairman emphasised that the Committee needs clarity from the Trustees.

Our display boards should be placed in local libraries [e.g. Daventry, Towcester, Rugby] together with the NRO. DH and N. Garnett are to investigate.

It was mooted that there should be groups for members to enhance their knowledge [e.g. pottery and magnetometry].

Our membership strategy is to increase our numbers and Alan Standish suggested that when he visited schools to talk about metal detecting he could incorporate CLASP elements in his talks. Alan and SY are to discuss the matter.

Dave Hayward outlined his idea for a CLASP-hosted seminar involving local professional archaeologists and CLASP to pool knowledge and ideas concerning the archaeology of our areas of interest. The conference/seminar would most probably be held at Daventry in the summer.

9. It was agreed that we need to develop a strategy for the storage and retention of artefacts and we need to agree a policy with regard to our digital archives.

10. Independent Members. It was disclosed that not all CLASP members are on CLASPWEB. Independent members and their representation at COC and communication within CLASP will be on the agenda next time.

11. CLASP Organising Committee meetings for 2016 will be held at Nether Heyford Baptist Rooms at 9.30am on 14<sup>th</sup> March, 6<sup>th</sup> June, 19<sup>th</sup> September, 21<sup>st</sup> November.

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