



## Community Landscape Archaeology Survey Project

Minutes of the Clasp Organizing Committee on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2018

1. Attendance: R. Close [Chair], J. Aveling [Trustee, Secretary and Blisworth Heritage Society], G. Boreham [Towcester and District Local History Society], A. Evans [Trustee and Treasurer], N. Garnett [Whitehall Roman Villa], D. Hayward [Chairman of Trustees], J. Johns [Membership Secretary and Weedon Bec History Society], F. Kay [Weedon Bec History Society], A. Kent [Bugbrooke History Society], A. Kesten [Trustee and Individual Members' Representative], J. Smith [Harpole Heritage Group], S. Young [Trustee and Archaeological Director].
2. Apologies: S. Deacon [Trustee and Secretary of the Trustees], S. Pervez [Trustee].
3. The minutes of the April meeting were approved.
4. Matters arising.
  - a. Brian Giggins has accepted an invitation to speak at the AGM. JA is to send a formal invitation.
  - b. An account of CLASP's activities is to be compiled from previous newsletters by DH and offered to "Hindsight" and also to "Northamptonshire Archaeology". RC will also consider a submission on the Barby Hill Project for "Hindsight".
  - c. DH reported that he had had no response to his appeal for help for a second archaeology day. However, it was reported that MOLA are considering an event and seem receptive to CLASP participating. DH is to follow this up.
5. SY reported that the Barn Close [Harpole] report is not yet complete but hopes it will be ready by the September meeting.
6. 2018 Projects. There are to be two digs at Thrupp [in different areas]. These are taking place on 16<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> August [including weekend work on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>] and 3<sup>rd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> September. The excavation at the Anglo-Saxon cemetery in Nether Heyford will happen either in the week of 17<sup>th</sup> September or the week of 24<sup>th</sup> September. DH is to ask Jeremy Cooper to provide flashing dates on CLASPWEB to highlight these dates and, in addition, SD is to be asked to contact members by email. Members will be asked for £5 to cover the expenses on these digs. N. Garnett is in charge of logistics on these digs.
7. General Data Protection Regulation policy. J. Johns reported that she had chased about 15 members on three occasions for GDPR consent. It was agreed that we should speak to these members, where possible, but otherwise we should wait until the AGM to see whether they wish to remain as members. The membership form needs to be explicit about GDPR consent and we do need to mention at the front of the next Newsletter the importance of permission being obtained to mention personal data.
8. Physical Archive. Due to current uncertainty in local government, CLASP has been unable to make any progress with Daventry District Council regarding their archaeology store on the Royal Oak Estate. The former wartime buildings on Borough Hill have been suggested as possible stores and F. Kay has mooted the possibility of sounding out the agents responsible for letting out some of the buildings at Whilton Lodge. R. Close suggested we should investigate bodies which could assist us in funding the storage of our physical archive. We have the offer of free storage in Barby, but the distance between our area and Barby is an inconvenience.
9. Jennifer Smith announced that the speaker at the Harpole Heritage Group meeting at Harpole Methodist Chapel on 9<sup>th</sup> August is to be Sarah Bridges, the County Archivist.
10. The closing date for the next CLASP Newsletter is Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September.
11. The next meeting is 10<sup>th</sup> September.

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Trustees: Dave Hayward (Chair), Sandra Deacon (Secretary), Angela Evans (Treasurer), Stephen Young (Archaeology Director), Tony Kesten, Marcus Lewis, Jim Aveling, Salma Pervez

**Organising Committee:** Rob Close (Chair), Jim Aveling (Secretary), Julia Johns (Membership Secretary)