Minutes of Guilden Sutton Green Space Steering Group 19/9/19

Attendees: Sarah Jessop, Derek Hughes, Brian Lewin, Tony Fisher, Amy Edwards, Matthew Jessop, Reza Rahmani-Torkaman

Apologies: Alan Davis

1. Minutes and actions from last meeting

Agreed

2. Joint working group & parish council

Joint working group meeting was held on 18th September. Issues discussed included an update on project progress and timeline, the logistics of the Mersey Forest grant offer, details relating to the landscape design proposal, and an initial conversation about the future lease arrangement with the Parish Council which we would aim to develop now.

3. Project Plan – Timeline

Target date for completion of land purchase is end October – up to mid November at the latest. This would give the remaining months of this year to complete work on appointing a contractor and any necessary fundraising, in order to be planting trees in Jan/Feb 2020 as required by Mersey Forest funding.

4. Finance

Review of the proposed budget. A sum of £15K was included in the budget proposal in order to cover essential set-up costs – planting trees, access gates etc. We anticipate that additional fund-raising will be required in order to create the accessible path around the space.

5. Open Evening

Planning and arrangements for forthcoming open evening. Agreed to get flyers printed, and pay Explorer Scouts to deliver to all households over the weekend – at a price equivelant to local newspaper deliveries.