

## Appendix 1 to Lake Committee Meeting Minutes 6th March 2023

## **VOLUNTARY TASKS CARRIED OUT IN THE LAKE ENVIRONS**

- 1. Controlling number of Canada Geese by oiling/pricking eggs
- 2. Lubricating lock on gates
- 3. Maintaining, cleaning signs & noticeboard
- 4. Cleaning litter from the grounds and lake itself
- 5. Maintain the mechanism of the sluice machinery
- 6. Control lake levels to avoid flooding and bank erosion
- 7. Maintain the slipway, reinforcing annually
- 8. Strim the casting point areas to the waters edge. NB Grass cutting contractor does not reach the lake and the casting points need clearing more often than the 4 cuts carried out by the contractor
- 9. Controlling, removing invasive species of plant (Himalayan Balsam)
- 10. Minor, medium tree surgery when required
  - Removing rotten, dangerous branches
  - Keeping the trunks of certain trees free from secondary growth-suckers
  - Removing ivy that threatens viability of some trees
  - Prune certain willows that grow rapidly and cause obstruction. Pollarding some of the larger ones
- 11. Collecting and burning all wood/branches shed by existing trees. This keeps the ground clear for the grass-cutting contractor
- 12. One-off tasks such as removing a dangerous bridge across the Bourne itself.
- 13. Undertaking nettle clearance and strimming undergrowth that can obstruct residents' view of the lake itself
- 14. Liaising with the Environment Agency when required

Please note the law requires all fisheries to be registered with DEFRA. This has been done. Certificate on file at Parish Office.