Notes of the Executive Committee (EC) Meeting held at 7.30pm at Otterton Village Hall 25 April 2017

Present:Roger Saunders (RS) Chairman, Trevor Waddington (TW), Bob Wiltshire (BW), George Maddaford (GM), Haylor Lass (HL), Nicky Daniel (ND), David Daniel (DD), Geoff Lake (GL), Clive Bowman (CB), Penny Kurowski (PK) Hon Sec.

Apologies: Patrick Hamilton (PH), Jon Roseway (JR)

Minutes of the EC meeting held on 28 March 2017 were confirmed and signed. There were no matters arising.

The EC discussed the following matters:

- School visits to the Pebblebed Heaths for 2017, arranged by Kate Ponting (Clinton Devon Estates), for which the OVA have agreed to pay for transport for the children, including some from Feniton and Tipton, so that they shall have the beneficial experience of the Pebblebed Heaths..
- 2 Updating pages on the OVA website.
- The East Devon Villages Plan, which proposes changes to the Built Up Area Boundary for Newton Poppleford HL to review this.
- 4 Progress on the Neighbourhood Plans for Budleigh Salterton, Newton Poppleford and East Budleigh.
- 5 The walks programme and need to avoid duplication with other organisations.
- 6 The proposed first aid course for walk leaders.
- The request from the East Budleigh Scarecrow Festival for the OVA to lead walk around the village. RS and JR to co-ordinate this.
- 8 RS had written to Chris Buckland and Mike Paddison thanking them for the work as walks co-ordinators and had received thank-you letters from both of them.
- 9 Hon. Treasurer's report the annual financial statements and notes, which were accepted by the EC.
- 10 Membership Secretary's report awaiting bank statements to show the membership subscriptions for this year.
- 11 Hon. Secretary's report. Publications received were circulated.
- 12 Planning for the AGM, and committee vacancies.
- 13 Thanks to TW, who is standing down from the EC, for all his work including his years as treasurer.