

## **Heritage Progress Report.**

**June 2015.**

### **1. Volunteer Group**

#### **Coleorton Wood.**

The group has been strimming and raking off the car park as well as cutting back the shrubs around the edge. We have completed removing the remaining tree stumps in the shrub areas. We have also tidied up the fallen trees in the Post Office Field and stacked the timber. The group has also removed approximately 150metres of rabbit fencing and strimmed and raked off the lower picnic area.

#### **New Lount Reserve.**

More vandalism had been carried out at the reserve when individuals threw parts of the new boardwalk into the pond. The sessions since the last meeting have been focused on repairing this damage and progressing the boardwalk.

The workshop sessions have now completed two more picnic tables, which will be utilised by LCC at their Bosworth site.

### **2. Guided Walk from New Lount.**

The group is having a guided walk of New Lount and surrounding area on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June; this is in combination with Leicestershire Adult Learning Services.

### **3. St Mary's Graveyard Audit**

This work has not progressed since the last meeting.

### **4. Ashby Museum.**

The display on "Coleorton Pottery" has yet to be set up in the museum.

### **5. Lount Pottery Boards.**

Due to holidays this project is currently progressing very slowly. I have spoken to Leicestershire & Rutland Wildlife Trust and they agree that it would be inappropriate to go ahead with the Natural History interpretation board at this stage. Trevor Stewart and I will proceed with the design of the pottery board. We are proceeding on the basis that the £3212 will need to cover the cost of both boards, so we need to complete and install the pottery board for around £1600. Ongoing maintenance of the boards will be kept to a minimum, but will need to be covered by the Parish Council.

### **6. Fallen Trees at Coleorton Wood.**

The tree which was only partially fallen has now been taken down and cut up into usable lengths of timber.

### **7. Bird Feeders at both Sites.**

Since we have discontinued supplying bird food for Coleorton Wood the two volunteers who feed the birds have been feeding the birds on the bird-table from their own supply of bird food. They strongly believe that we should continue to feed the birds and have asked if the Parish Council can continue to supply bird food for the bird table?

**John Macdonald (June 2015)**