

**YCCCART Committee Meeting
21st January 2016 at Congresbury Tennis Club.**

Action points	
	Present: Peter Wright, Peter English (Chair), Geoff Pearson, Janet Dickson, John Wilcox, Chris Short, Vince Russett, Philippa Cormac, Chris Luffham & Arthur Langley.
	Apologies: Brian Bradbury.
	Minutes of last meeting Agreed
<p>Action 1</p> <p>Actions 2-4</p>	<p>Matters outstanding from previous meetings</p> <p>Back up for downloading Proposed refresher session with AL and VR still outstanding.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review later in the year. <p>Progressing the Pottery project. UH & JW to begin photographing Congresbury ware in local museums. <i>John W queried the logistics of this project as he currently photographs individual items of pottery from 4 different angles. It was acknowledged that this was far too big a task to be undertaken easily.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PE & CS to provide JW & UH with a specific brief for the project, identifying exactly what will be photographed and how the information will be presented to ensure a consistent approach. • Agreed to photograph YCCCART's collection first. • Possibly meet on an alternative day ie Mondays.
<p>Action 5</p> <p>Action 6</p>	<p>Matters arising from last meeting</p> <p>Newsletter.</p> <p>Unfortunately there were difficulties in obtaining sufficient quality items for a newsletter.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be discussed in May. <p>Standardization of file names.</p> <p>CS explained that he and UH have now adopted an agreed system of filing reports and results in named site folders. AL felt that this was no longer something to be concerned about. VR stressed the importance of a co-ordinated approach.</p> <p>Presentation of material at review days etc</p> <p>JW agreed to create a short movie presentation of YCCCART's work for 2016 AGM.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JW hopes to have something ready for later in the year. <p>The Research Team to provide the Planning Committee with a list of potential sites.</p>

<p>Action 15</p> <p>Action 16</p>	<p>the field recently surveyed in Banwell. He also updated the meeting on the potential impact of the proposed installation of the larger pylons extending from Hinkley Point to Avonmouth.</p> <p>VR shared his thoughts about the following possible sites:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sites identified by Dick Broomhead around Congresbury inc Honey Hall. 2. Locking Castle 3. Hillsea- late Saxon site in Claverham. 4. Kingston Seymour- Roman salt kilns. 5. Ashcombe Park- a prehistoric field system. 6. Churchill- another Saxon island but also fields with interesting names. 7. Monitor the Bristol Water pipe-line. <p>Of the above he reported that there were delays re the pipe-line due to the need to produce extensive EIAs as well as issues surrounding the proximity of the line to historic buildings and other important sites. VR felt that Locking Castle would be an excellent project for YCCCART as all interested parties had expressed support in a survey taking place</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VR to arrange a meeting with all of the above. <p>He was also keen to explore Honey Hall. Post retirement VR was happy to train YCCCART members in other elements of archaeological fieldwork.</p> <p>Other sites for work in 2016 were:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Andrew Sheppey's farm 2. Woodspring Priory (FRED) 3. Cadbury Hill- continue scrub clearance 4. Bickley 2- (FRED) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was suggested that VR led a walk around Bickley and King Woods. Date to be arranged.
<p>Actions 17-19</p>	<p>AOB</p> <p>Research Group</p> <p>Following the Chairman's earlier comments there was an animated discussion regarding how to make better use of the extensive archive which the Research Team has assembled. Concerns were raised about just what information was available; JD suggested that indexing their work would be a good place to start.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JD & PC to begin indexing Judy's folder. • Other members of the Research team to consider indexing their files using the pro-forma developed by JD & PC. • The Research team to share their archive at the next In Day. • On completion the index would be placed on our web-site as a tool for the identification of sites of interest and importance. <p>The committee emphasised that ideally the work of the Research team should both drive and compliment the fieldwork carried out by the RM15 and 601 teams. CS enquired about possible maps of the Ham Lane fields currently being surveyed and the</p>

<p>Action 20</p>	<p>names of other farmers/landowners along Kenn Moor Rd.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CL to see what she could locate.
<p>Actions 21-22</p>	<p>Festival of Archaeology July 16th – 31st</p> <p>A walk, led by VR, around Congresbury was proposed. VR was happy to do this.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JD to arrange a date with VR • Committee to advertise the event.
<p>Actions 23-15</p>	<p>Local History/archaeology May- Cadbury Hill display in Congresbury Library</p> <p>JD mentioned that NSC libraries were holding a month long event celebrating local history and archaeology. She had suggested that Congresbury Library should promote the extensive work, including new signboards being carried out by Congresbury & Yatton PCs on Cadbury Hill and asked permission to reproduce images and text from the various documents produced by YCCART about the site. The meeting agreed. JD also approached VR with a request to lead a walk on the hill sometime in May. VR was agreeable although he would expect to have his travelling costs reimbursed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JD to check all details and arrange a suitable date. • PW offered to laminate any images needed for display. • PW queried whether the History Group's display would be needed. JD to check with Yatton Library
<p>Action 26</p>	<p>Advertising YCCART!</p> <p>JW felt that it would be a good idea if YCCART members wore some type of indentifying logo, either as part of a sweatshirt, as a badge or on a vest/tabard when promoting its work, ie on walks or at the village fetes. It was generally thought to be an idea worth pursuing especially has there were funds from Mary Campbell's bequest still to be spent. JD wondered if an YCCART banner might also be costed at the same time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JW to explore further and report at the next meeting
<p>Actions 27-28</p>	<p>AGM</p> <p>The date for the AGM was agreed – Thursday April 21st 10.00am. Methodist Hall Congresbury. A fish & chip lunch to follow.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JD to book the Methodist Hall and inform members in March • PC to co-ordinate lunch orders etc
<p>Date of next meeting Thursday May 19th</p>	