NORTH WALSHAM & DILHAM CANAL TRUST

In co-operation with the East Anglian Waterways Association Ltd

Subject: Work Party at Bacton Wood Lock

Date: Sunday 22nd October 2017

From: Dennis Williams

THE PLAN.

To assist the owner with any progress on the lock gates

To continue clearing up the lock site of litter and other detritus

WORK ACHIEVEMENT.

12 Volunteers attended for a start time of 09.30. The weather was fine at first, then showers during the day.

Work In progress. So as not to be on top of each other we split into two parties, 4 volunteers worked with Laurie on the lock gates. The rest worked on clearing Scrub and Detritus around the lock area. Laurie and crew installing Base plates and Roller Bearings to lower lock gates – holes were drilled to hold bolts for base plates and then filled with Epoxy-Resin to set hard.

The other work party continued with clearing Detritus. A fire was called for and Alan agreed with Laurie to set this on the East Bank of the lock. Some dry brash was used and Alan soon had a good heart in the fire.

Lunch was called at 12.00hr – this would help the resin to set hard

Work resumed after lunch as before. Laurie and two volunteers lifted the base plates and removed excess resin to allow plates and roller bearings to be installed with their tension straps. Laurie advised some adjustments will be made at another work party.

Alan cleared all embers around the fire and made safe. All tools collected and returned to lock-up.

All work ceased at 14.30hrs.

All H&S aspects observed hard hats and Hi-Vis jkts worn.

Dennis Williams

Acting Work Party Leader