REPORT OF WHILTON SPINNEY PROJECT MANAGEMENT GROUP (ROUGHMOOR SPINNEY) April 2015

This year has been quiet in the Spinney. We have had a few work parties, but these were poorly attended. More granite chippings have been laid on the paths, although more is needed, and we had a wood collecting party in the winter. On the other hand, we are pleased to report that the Pre-school children have been making regular use of the Spinney for activities and gardening in their raised bed.

Two of us attended the funding fair in Daventry last spring; it was made clear that there may be grants for specific projects, but not for on-going maintenance. The Parish Council has taken on the responsibility for provision of funds to pay our annual insurance, as residual trustee of the Spinney. We would like to record our thanks to the three parishioners who have and are giving financial support towards maintenance, and to Gordon Emery who has again helped with moving the granite chippings.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held in May, and anyone interested in the Spinney is welcome to attend. As some of those who help are aging, there is a need for a more energetic group to take part in leadership and in providing man and woman power.

If you would like to assist in any way, please contact one of us:

Anthea Hiscock, Chair Richard Bunce, Treasurer Maurice Clements, Regular Maintenance.