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Trustees Meeting

Monday 7 April 2014 Cross Keys Rugby Club

MINUTES

Attendance

Terry Evans (Chair); Sue Evans; Andrew George, Norman Liversuch; David Parry; Rob Southall; Maggie Thomas; and Howard Vickery.

1. Apologies

1.1 Martyn Bond; Dave Standing; Roger Stevenson

2. Minutes of Trustees' Meeting held on 3 March 2014 and Matters Arising

- 2.1 The minutes of the meetings held on 3 March 2014 were agreed.
- 2.2 All of the action points had been discharged or would be dealt with elsewhere on the agenda.

3. Tidy Tump

3.1 TE reported that:

- The project was virtually complete apart from a snagging list which included completing the barbed wire, drainage by the first gate, stones around the stock gate, painting the other gate, infilling with fir trees, and filling the central erosion with organic material
- The final return had been made to the Welsh Government and payment of the grant was expected within five days. CCBC would then pay the invoices
- The project had cost £24,731 so far. CCBC would be paying £5,000 into the Society's account which left £4,300 for signage
- The signage had been ordered and would be delivered within 4-5 weeks. TE
 would bring a summary of the costs to the next meeting. DP and HV offered to
 erect the signage free of charge

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- The tree-planting by VIPs on 22 March which had been attended by Chris Evans MP, Jocelyn Davies AM and Gwyn Price AM had been a success
- 3.2 Following discussion, it was agreed:
 - to hold regular workdays between 10am and 12 on the last Sunday in every month beginning on Sunday 27 April. TE would bring a proposed rota to the next meeting.
 - to ask Rhodri Lloyd at CCBC to donate shovels and litter-pickers and for each regular volunteer to retain some equipment
 - NL to find out who to write to at Torfaen BC to support the closure of the ORPA
 - to keep a diary and photographic record of the Welsh Government visit and other events to assist with future funding applications
 - to record the Trustees' thanks to TE for his work on the project

TE and SE left the room at this point.

3.3 It was also agreed to make a payment to TE for the professional design work he had undertaken on the signage, on presentation of the relevant invoices

4. Events

- 4.1 RS agreed to lead the Hot Cross Bun Walk on 18 April.
- 4.2 RS said that the March talk by Maddy Gray had raised £70 on the night from entrance fees, membership sales and the raffle. 31 people had attended.
- 4.3 It was agreed that the Society should have a presence at the following summer events: the 14 Locks Open Day, the Risca Summer Fatre and the Blaen Bran Open Day.

5. Members' Meeting 14 April

5.1 It was agreed to follow the same format as the previous Members' meeting and to invite PC Simon James to speak. DP agreed to provide a summary of the Tidy Tump project.

6. Finance and Membership

6.1 MT said that she would work through the membership spreadsheet with SE.

7. CTS Work Programme

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- 6.1 AG offered to prepare a revised work programme for consideration by Trustees at the next meeting.
- 6.2 It was agreed that RS would prepare an overview of the Society's history and achievements for the next local Directory piece.
- 6.3 It was agreed to write to Torfaen BC to support the closure of the ORPA and to invite PC Simon James to the next Trustees meeting to discuss this issue.
- 7. Date of next meeting Monday 12 May 2014 at Cross Keys Rugby Club, 7.00pm

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