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Trustees Meeting

Monday 12th May 2014 Cross Keys Rugby Club

MINUTES

Attendance

Terry Evans (Chair); Sue Evans;, Norman Liversuch; David Parry; Rob Southall; Martyn Bond;.

1. Apologies

1.1 Andrew George; Dave Standing; Roger Stevenson; and Howard Vickery

2. Minutes of Trustees' Meeting held on 14th April 2014 and Matters Arising

- 2.1 The minutes of the meetings held on 14 April 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:

- Workday 27th April DP led the workparty, and with HV moved loose trees for the infill, also added some stone to the kissing gate, and cleared the unused cairn building stones. AG led the litterpick.
- Although the project was virtually complete the Trustees discussed the continuing 'snagging'
 requirements, and agreed to seek a meeting with HV to finish jobs including removing small
 areas of barbed wire close to the public gates, 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
- TE is particularly concerned with the poor condition of the ground around the stock gate, due to the cattle gathering there. Members of the public are wary of using the gate.
 NL & SE suggested the cattle gate should be moved further away.
- It was agreed to have the next Volunteer day On Sunday 1st June due to the Bank holiday. Tasks to include litterpicking, checking the planting, general maintenance.
- Signage TE said that he had received and approved proofs, for the Cairn signs, the Trustees should meet on site soon to decide the position for the Ladder sign at the entrance to the Common, and DP agreed to install the Fly-tipping signs obtained earlier. NL advised that he had been in touch with Cadw, to seek guidance/permission for erecting information boards on the SAM.
- Other ideas and plans on how we proceed further.
 The Trustees discussed the scheduled closure of Cwmcarn Forest Drive and how it may impact
 on our activities. SE suggested completing a survey of the Mountain Road access to submit a
 proposal to the Council that the Passing places be upgraded, with improved signage. NL offered
 to obtain an accurate map to use as a base for our survey.

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4. Events

- 4.1 RS agreed to lead a walk to the Pool of Avarice at the end of June.
- 4.2 SE confirmed events booked to promote the Society
 26 July Henllys Community Fete
 6th September Blaen Bran Woodland event
 will confirm the date of the Victorian Fayre at 14 Locks and the Risca Summer Fayre

5. Finance

The current balance is £6,048.06, with £300.00 to be cleared., total £6,306.50

6. Membership

It was agreed that the membership renewals were poor, and interest in the society had waned, although the general public approved of our actions, we would have to come up with some exiting new projects to get their attention. Archaeology should be high on our list of priorities - see work schedule It was suggested that we contact schools to introduce the society and offer help with any projects they involve pupils in.

7. CTS Work Programme

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- 7.1 AG had offered to prepare a revised work programme for consideration by Trustees at this meeting, but unfortunately could not attend, so this item to go forward to the next meeting, 2nd June.
- 7.2 It was agreed that TE would produce the next local Directory piece.
- 8. Date of next meeting Monday 2 June 2014 at Cross Keys Rugby Club, 7.00pm

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