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## **Trustees Meeting**

Monday 6 October 2014  
Cross Keys Rugby Club

### **MINUTES**

#### **Attendance**

Martyn Bond; Terry Evans (Chair); Sue Evans; Andrew George, Norman Liversuch; David Parry; Rob Southall; and Maggie Thomas

#### **1. Apologies**

1.1 Roger Stevenson and Howard Vicary

#### **2. Minutes of Trustees' Meeting held on 7 July 2014 and Matters Arising**

2.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 7 July 2014 were agreed.

#### **3. Tidy Twmp**

3.1 TE reported that:

- There had been a good turn out for the September work day, The ladder sign had been erected using posts supplied free from CCBC.
- There had been no follow up by the Welsh Government, but photographic records were being kept of the work
- The Commoners had received Glastir grant for works to include fence and path repairs, cutting down fir trees and installing a picnic bench. TE would discuss CTS involvement on work days with HV
- SE was pursuing the wildlife surveys
- DP had written to CCBC about the reinstatement of charges for rubbish collection

3.2 A number of action points on the interpretation boards carried over from previous meetings:

- Contact Gwent Ornithological Trust and Gwent Wildlife (Roger S)
- Provide history and archaeology text (DS)



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#### **4. Campaign to Save Cwmcarn Forest Drive**

RS said that he had started a campaign against the proposed closure of Cwmcarn Forest Drive by Natural Resources Wales (NRW). 4000 people had supported the campaign on Facebook and over 2000 had signed a petition to the National Assembly. RS was also organising a public meeting on 16 October. As a result, NRW had reduced the timescale for the tree-felling and re-planting from six to two years, but there was still no guarantee that the Forest Drive would reopen. Following discussion, it was agreed that CTS would become a Friend of Cwmcarn Forest Drive and issue a statement (TE to draft).

#### **5. ORPA, Commoners and Funding for Future Projects**

5.1 TE said that he had met Jack Hanbury-Tenison and representatives of the Commoners and Torfaen CBC to discuss the ORPA and the possibility of getting funding for further preventative measures. It was agreed that TE would sound out the Commoners on the possibility of a co-ordinated bid.

#### **6. Events**

6.1 TE said that the talk on 17 September had been reasonable well attended.

6.2 It was agreed to hold a quiz on 12 or 19 November and to invite John Venn to provide some questions. AG and MT would also provide questions.

6.3 RS said that other planned events were talks by Keith Underwood (next March) was also the possibility of and Ray Howell in February. There was also the possibility of a field walk by the Glamorgan Gwent Archaeological Trust.

#### **7. Annual General Meeting**

7.1 This had been arranged for Monday 3 November.

#### **8. Membership**

8.1

#### **9. Finance**

#### **10. AOB**

11. **Date of next meeting** – Monday 3 November at Cross Keys Rugby Club, 7.00pm