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Trustees Meeting

Monday 1 February 2016
Cross Keys Rugby Club

MINUTES

Attendance

Terry Evans (Chair); Sue Evans; Maggie Thomas; Norman Liversuch;
Rob Southall; David Parry; Alan Booth; Martyn Vaughan

1 APOLOGIES

Sam Southall; Howard Vicary; Les Murphy;

2. MINUTES of Trustees' Meeting held on Monday 7th December 2015

Matters Arising –

Re: The Tipping charges

Rhodri Lloyd addressed the Access forum meeting later that week and stated that the current CCBC policy would continue..

Norman Liversuch said that Phil Griffiths intended to contact CTS with an offer of allowing us to drop off our litterpick at a more suitable site as before

The minutes of the meeting were agreed

3. OBJECTIVES and PRIORITIES

A revised O & P list was circulated, and comments and amendments noted. A final document will be sent to all Trustees to read, and hopefully approve at the next meeting.

4. CCBC/Torfaen works

Terry Evans circulated a report of the meeting at Twmbarlwm car park on Friday 15th January 2016, with Gethin Bowes, Dave P, Howard V, and Les M, to discuss the proposed works

Dave Parry told the meeting that Gethin had already made progress sourcing stones, and obtaining quotes for walling, sending contractors to look at tree removal etc. The boulders and stonedust and chippings were due to be delivered to Howard Vicary.

We discussed adding to the shopping list of works the 'Coralling' idea of a double gate system at the car park, as an option if the proposed closure of the ORPA is refused, or is likely to take a significant time to resolve. Gethin is due to meet with Andrew Osborne to discuss Torfaen's intentions.

Terry/Dave to contact Gethin to arrange an update meeting for Thursday/Friday 18/19 February.

5. TIDY TWMP

The January Litterpick was cancelled due to bad weather, but Terry Evans had a litterpick on the Saturday, and reported a burnt out car on the forestry road, a serious fly-tip which he reported to the council, and new deep ruts cut by off-roaders on the common below the Tump. These points were also reported to Inspector Carl Williams and TE also requested a meeting with him for an update on policing issues.

Work to do - Many of the jobs on our 'work to do' list are covered and expanded by the new works in the CCBC/Torfaen scheme above.

Next Volunteer Day 28th February

6. EVENTS

24th January - Les Murphy's rescheduled walk to Penyrheol saw half a dozen hardy souls brave the cold drizzle to hear LM explain the various mounds and scrapes as a significant area of Industrial landscape spanning hundreds of years..

Monday 21st March, Talk – Chris Barber, 'Roaming with a camera in Gwent'

Need to book the Function Room and projector, MT will advise Crosskeys Rugby Club in writing.

Friday 25th March, Good Friday Hot Cross Bun Walk

May - Les Murphy will give a talk on Commoners and the history of Commons

5 April - Rob Southall will lead a Lost Farms walk

7. POLICING ISSUES

We would like to invite PC Simon James to report to us, and possibly arrange a meeting with the local Inspector, but no luck to date

8. CAMPAIGN TO SAVE CWMCARN FOREST DRIVE

25th January, there was a Public meeting and Official launch of The Friends of Cwmcarn Forest Drive.

It was very well attended by residents, with three officers of NRW, several councillors and representatives of local businesses.

9. MEMBERSHIP & FINANCE

MT stated we have 48 fully paid up members, and 2 pending.

We have a bank balance of £6668.04, with £40 to be banked.

10. A.O.B.

18 February - Terry Evans, Maggie Thomas and Martyn Vaughan to meet to update membership lists.

Date of next Trustees' Meeting:

Monday 7th March 2016