

SHEFFIELD LOCAL ACCESS FORUM
Meeting held – Friday 23rd February 2018
at the Woodland Discovery Centre Ecclesall Woods

Members T. Howard; (Chair); J. Harker; D. Aspinall; P. Price; L. Seaman
R. Godley; R. Owen; J. Horscroft;

Officers M. Hanson; (Principal PROW Officer) S. Beaton; (Senior PROW Officer)

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| 1. | <u>Apologies</u> | |
| | <p>Paul Fell, Katrina Chandler, Henry Norman, Chris Prescott, Matt North, Ros Hancock.</p> <p>Unfortunately Coleen Eccles has now offered her resignation from the LAF due to work commitments. However Melanie FitzGerald (a local horse rider) has already shown an interest in the vacancy (the HW Auth. will assess).</p> | |
| 2. | <u>Minutes of the LAF Meeting 6th October 2017</u> | |
| | <p>Item 7 - should read confirmed by PINS with modifications (not Mod.Order).</p> | |
| 3. | <u>Matters arising</u> | |
| | <p>TH expressed his concerns that not all consultations regarding appropriate matters are being referred to the LAF.</p> <p>JH went to Low Hall Wood to assist in the planting of new elm trees and he also took the opportunity to discuss the preparation of a new Management Plan. Chris Doar of the SWT offered to arrange a site meeting.</p> <p>The next Regional LAF Meeting will be on Thursday 22nd March at Ogden Water.</p> <p>The Land Owner at Ellen Cliffe has now applied for a diversion of the footpath.</p> <p>There is a site Meeting due to take place re Woodhouse Recreation Ground. JH, DA and R. Pett are to discuss the provision of an alternative link for horse riders, as it appears that this may not be feasible for various reasons. It is thought that there may be a provision of a FP/CT through the site, although a new link adjacent to the Rec. Ground is now underway. (although a Pegasus crossing is needed). The onward section is currently being progressed by Richard Pett and YWT.</p> <p>Parkwood Springs proposals are now being firmed up, the LAF requested a site visit. Also a request was made for BW routes through the site (but not every route will be multi-use).</p> <p>The Redmires Cycle Track is still awaiting planning.</p> <p>P & C have now got some monies to improve Poynton Wood including the steps. There is to be a site Meeting held with Tony Andrews, John Gilpin and the Bradway Action Group.</p> | |

DA is still going to find out what is happening re Stewardship Schemes at Whirlow and Sugworth.

4. Sheffield Lakeland

Various Project options are being submitted, these are being decided by a Point scoring system.

We have invited Keith Tomkins to attend the next LAF Meeting.

5. Redmires proposed Bike Track

The work has been delayed by various factors. Some User Groups do not want this to be constructed within the woodland, whilst others would like additional routes. The concern is about night use and night jars.

RO asked what was happening re the BW proposals that were suggested, possibly need to contact Jon Dallow for update.

The site meeting proposed has been postponed until proposals are made clearer.

6. Cutgate

More issues at the western end downhill to Slippery Stones.

7. Definitive Map Work - update

A new date has been provided for the Public Enquiry re path off Rotherham Road (post meeting update – this may be cancelled).

Two further Modification Orders nos. 70 and 71 have now been completed, also Bra/209. It was asked when are the new paths going to be visible on O.S. Maps – this is determined by when a LEMO is made by the City Council and then when OS make a map update.

JH has investigated the Railway Act re Great Hollins Wood and there was no reference to a path at this point. The City Council has now to decide how to proceed with the Order.

8. LTP Schemes - update

The proposed Schemes are being processed through the Capital Approval procedure, with a view to approval being made by May.

9. Open Access update and issues

Nothing to report.

10. LAF Aspirational Routes

It was suggested that several FPs could be upgraded to BWs to provide safe off road links.

e.g. Whirlowdale Road to Ecclesall Woods via Cow Lane.

Hillcrest Road to Boggard Lane.

New Lane to Dwarriden Lane (permissive) and

Rails Road to Rivelin Valley Road (permissive).

11. Report back from Neighbouring LAFs

The Rotherham LAF discussed the Bridleway issues at Waverley and Catcliffe. RMBC has already started proceedings to downgrade the Byway but this is not yet completed. Sheffield may then do a TRO on their section.

Peak Park LAF were asked to put in a retrospective Planning Application for the green matting over the moor above Langsett to use as an access track. Sheffield Moors Partnership (Ted /Danny) will be invited to address our LAF regarding a new revised Management Plan being prepared.

This is to be known as the Don Rivers Trust Landscape Plan Stage 1, the monies to implement this provided by Lottery funding.

Terry H (Chair of Sheffield LAF) will be the Sheffield LAF Representative

Formal Representative to SMP to be LAF Chair or their Representative, this was agreed by the LAF Meeting.

12. LAF Member's Rights of Way matters

RO attended meeting with SWT and informed them that the LAF should be consulted on future plans/proposals.

The routes through Low Hall Wood were discussed as they have been used by horses in the past, even though possibly an Old Lane.

She also mentioned a sign off Houndkirk Road saying 'Private No Public Access' which has stopped people from using this route.

LS mentioned letter from SWT and that he had attended a Meeting of what work they have been involved in.

13. AOB

Nothing to report.

14. Date of future Meetings.

The next LAF Meetings for 2018 are to be held on Friday 29th June and Friday 12th October.

December update still to be arranged.