

Lincolnshire Parish Council

PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE

Monday 28 January 2013 at Rilla Mill Village Hall, 8.00 pm

MINUTES

- 1) Apologies
Cllr Lobban, Laurence Smith/Cathy Brunsdon, Cllr Couch
- 2) Present
Jackie Benson, Roger Cullingham (chairman), Paul Doney, Cllr Hordley, Mike Todd
Andrew Ward
Julia Todd, Clerk
- 3) Minutes These were approved and signed by the Chairman as an accurate record of the meeting of 25 July 2012

Cllr Horrell arrived at the meeting

- 4) Working Party Days
 - a) MT reported on discussions that he had had with landowners to open a path from Treovis into Stara Woods, and noted that there were several matters to resolve concerning access. It is thought that funding from CHAHP is available for improvement projects on the network. MT agreed to arrange a meeting with Jane Uglow to discuss possibilities.

Other areas worth considering for the installation of kissing gates to replace stiles including the iron stile between Hillyfields and Sutton and other sites (see MT's photos)

- b) It was **agreed** not to set dates for working groups to undertake work as the network is saturated following prolonged wet weather.
- 5) Contract for PRow
 - a) The contract for 2012-13 is now complete. No areas of concern noted.
- 6) Paths4Communities
 - a) This was discussed in conjunction with Item 4(a) and reports on progress to increase PRow network.

IH had investigated the possibility of opening the old track from the Upton Cross/Rilla Mill road to the kissing gate on the Permissive path between Netherton and Sterts. He reported that the owner is unhappy that walkers cross the field away from the PP and is not keen to form a permanent right of way which would fulfil the criteria of the P4C fund. The meeting heard that there was a risk of losing the Permissive Path if walkers continued to stray from it. It was **agreed** to consider placing notices on the path to inform walkers of the route of access. MT to draft.

The meeting heard that since the field crossed by FP13 has been occupied by horses, more walkers seem use the fields crossed by the Permissive Path. The meeting discussed the northern part of the old track but **agreed** to put future work on hold.

- 7) Publications
a) 247 walks' booklets and 51 maps remain.
MT showed the meeting an example of Brampton parish map as a possible model for a new Linkinhorne map. It was **agreed** that the clerk would seek information from Brampton parish clerk for details of production. It was **agreed** that MT would investigate costs and process for producing a new version that would include local information on fauna and flora, history and heritage.
- 8) Correspondence
a) Dave Wood, Countryside Officer has given a provisional start date (February 2013) for work on a boardwalk on FP3 (Measham to Starabridge)
- 9) Finance
a) (*reported sales at full Parish Council*) Total of £45 sales since April 2012
b) It was **agreed** to approach CHAHP for an allocation of funds for new maps once costs were known.
- 10) Future of Parish Walks
a) Other groups and organisations in the community were planning walks for 2013 which would include the network in the parish. These included the opening of the new bridge in Stara Woods on Sunday 3 March, and a Linkinhorne History Group walk on Saturday 29 June. A question was raised regarding responsibility for safety and insurance where the bridge meets the Public Right of Way. The meeting heard that the landowner and Cornwall Council were involved in ensuring safety and insurance.
- 11) Future Meetings
a) It was agreed to meet on Monday 24 June 2013 following the Town and Parish Council elections on 2 May 2013

RC announced that he has resigned as Chairman of the PRow committee and had agreed with the Chairman of the Parish Council that he would remain Chairman of the PRow committee until the election date.
- 12) Close of Business
The meeting closed at 9.00pm