

Minutes of the Footpaths and Open Spaces group Committee on Monday 23rd April 2018

25/18FO To Receive Apologies for absence.

Apologies received and accepted for Cllr Finney

26/18FO Declaration of Members Interests.

There was nothing to report

27/18FO Public Speaking

3 members of the public in attendance.

28/18FO To approve the minutes from the monthly meeting held on Monday 26th March 2018. Unfortunately, the Clerk was absent from this meeting and the Chair was recording the meeting but the recorder did not work so there are no minutes available from the March meeting. Minutes from the previous meeting in January were approved and signed by the Chair.

29/18FO FP7 - Raised walkway update (Community Payback Team, Canal and River Trust). PC. All ready to go then the gearbox broke on the barge which means the group needs to look at plan B. Cllr P Cullen gave an overview of work to date and why it was being done. He thanked Cemex for their kind donation of £250 towards the cost of the stone. The Cemex quarry manager was present at the meeting and explained that the Willington site does not do MOT but can get hold of it, it was suggested to pencil in 20 to 25 tonnes of it for July. A site visit is needed and Tony agreed to arrange this with the site manager Cllr P Cullen and himself. The Quarry Manager offered some manpower for the day and a digger which everyone agree would be a great help. The Quarry Manager gave an overview of the work they do and the preparation they undertake before quarrying. He said it is very difficult as they would like to communicate more with the public about their work and their finds but don't want to attract loads of people with metal detectors etc. he suggested a meeting with both Repton and Willington history groups/archeology groups. Val offered to be the liaison for the Willington group. Maybe a joint event for both villages to share knowledge. Finds include iron Age, Roman Age with Willington being older with Neolithic finds.

30/18FO FP13 – Site meeting request with Cllr Ford and DCC Officer, Lynn Taylor. This has still to happen to identify how the width was established. Clerk chasing Cllr Ford about this. Proposed to take to full PC to ask if a letter can be sent to DCC to request a meeting asap.

31/18FO Persimmon issues – nothing further forward with this. Still no answers from SDDC. If the standard is never reached will they never adopt it? The Chief Exec of SDDC, at the local area forum in Ticknall agreed to support the PC with this. Proposal is to adopt the land and get it sorted, proposed by Cllr P Cullen and seconded by Cllr S Finney. Everyone in agreement but needs to go to full PC for approval.

32/18FO Tools and storage on TRPF. The Clerk has left several messages for the company doing the work but had no reply. Clerk text them during the meeting and the reply was they can start the work late July.

33/18FO Dog warden duties. The Clerk had received an email from Mr Bates regarding dog fouling in the village and the Clerk forwarded this to the Dog Warden who responded to Mr Bates saying that SDDC don't have the resources to be out there patrolling. Mr Bates then asked the group "how does this group deal with it?" Suggestions included spray painting the dog mess, notices, CCTV, posters, stickers and floor art? Maybe ask Findern and Repton to say purchase of CCTV; does SDDC have any cameras we could borrow and train people to use them.

34/18FO Creation of footpath from Meadow Lane to Green Bridge and Kingfisher Lane to green bridge-update. Someone has been to the post office and collected all the forms but this is no one from the Parish Council or this group. This is worrying. The Chair asked Barbara if she would take responsibility for this item and liaising with the Post Office. It was asked if the group should push this now or wait and finish what they group has already started. The quarry manager offered to email the clerk the email address of the Regional Officer from the Derbyshire Wildlife Trust and invite her to the next meeting.

35/18FO Schedule of activities/initiatives. Nothing further to add than what's on the list already. Next event is 29th April at 9.30 meeting at the station garden. Can the Clerk send a letter to the Chip Shop owner and ask him to patrol the area for Chip Shop litter.

36/18FO Date of next meeting

The date of the next Willington Parish Council FOSG Committee Meeting is to be confirmed as Monday 21st May 2018 at The Old School starting at 7pm.

Emergency Items

1. **Planning Application by the Dragon** – Derbyshire County council have been asked about the land as it is in trust and has Covenants but so far the paperwork has not been forthcoming. Legal action may be looked at by the PC against DCC.
2. **Damage on the Picnic Site** – suggest a knee high fence around the car park edge – ask at full PC
3. **Neighbourhood Plan** – Repton and Melbourne have completed Neighbourhood plans. Within the plan there would be a section called Local green Space e.g. the picnic site and this could secure the land from being developed. This is on the next PC agenda but needs support.