

Turnpike Field Working Group (TFWG)

Notes of Meeting Monday 5th June 2023

Present: Cllr Jean Stainthorpe – Chair (JS), Cllr Adriana Roscoe(AR), Michael Cookson (MC), Judy Evans(JE). Peter Morgan(PM). Cllr Steve Elliot(SE), Cllr Geoff Seddon(GS), Nigel Mottershead(NM), Simon Platt(SP).Cllr Kate Down(KD)

- 1. Public Forum:** No MOPs attended the meeting.
- 2. Apologies:** Apologies were received from Adrian Leighton (AL)
- 3. Notes of the meeting held on 3rd May 2023:** All members agreed that these were an accurate record.
- 4. Volunteers:** The nomination of Simon Platt had been formally approved by Audlem Parish Council at 15th May meeting and he was welcomed to his first meeting/
- 5. Bridge Between Fields:** With regard to the broken wire on the canal embankment the Canal & Rivers Trust have been contacted but no action had been forthcoming from them.(SE)
- 6. Green Lane Entrance:** Laminated signs “No Parking” and “Emergency Phone Number” are awaited for the entrance and Notice Board. Wording to be agreed. (SE & JE). Lamination (AL).
- 7. Shropshire Street Entrance:** Nothing further to report on the proposals to enhance this.
- 8. Notice Board:** Notice regarding Bookings and Emergency Contact details to be displayed. Possibility of a QR Code being displayed to be investigated (SE & JE).
- 9. Car Park:** Nothing further to report.
- 10. Maintenance:** The May Summer 2023 maintenance plan was discussed and updated. Ragwort removal further investigation regarding a weed wiper needed (GS). Spot treatment to be applied now (PM & SE).
A letter in response to a MOP email on the use of glyphosate to be drafted (PM, JS & AL).
Himalayan Balsam volunteers to sought via AOL(SE)
It was agreed that this plan be reviewed monthly. (JS)
- 11. Trees:** Tree Inspection - five firms will be asked to quote for this work after approval at APC meeting on 12th June(GS)
- 12. Environmental Update:** Report carried forward to next months meeting(AL)
- 13. Fields in Trust:** The signed Deed has been received back from FIT – APC to complete Land Registry forms and arrange payment of fees of £80.
- 14. Website:** Work continues on developing the website and adding booking information etc. to this. (SE & JS)
- 15. Bookings:** The recent Music Festival had been a success, The organisers had been overwhelmed by the numbers attending, the field had been left clean and tidy .The organisers had donated £100 to provide Event Notices for future events. Wording to be agreed and quotations for the signs to be obtained.(if possible before APC meeting on 12th

June) and arrangements for them to be stored in a central location (**SE & JE**). It was noted that the income from camping goes to the organisers of the event and **not** APC.

16. **Pond Dipping Platform:** The platform had been ordered and a date for delivery to be arranged. Storage off the field needs to be arranged, Yvonne Parker to be approached to see if the platform could be stored in her yard (**KD**). A possible alternative solution has been offered by (**KD**) Unloading of the platform needs to be ascertained (**GS**). Noted that the clerk has advised it cannot be installed until the planning application (see note 19) is approved.
17. **Dog Poo Problem. (AR)** to write an article on dog poo, suitable for publication on AOL.
18. **Terms of Reference.** To be formalised at the next meeting.
19. **Retrospective Planning Application.** Change of use from Agricultural Use to Recreational Use. APC are to appoint a planning consultant to prepare an application to be submitted to Cheshire East Council. **SE & PM** to write a report regarding the visit made by the Highways Officer
20. **Any other business:** None
21. **Date of Next Meeting – Monday 3rd July 7-30pm Methodist Church Meeting Room.**
(Apologies GS)

Future Meetings:-

Monday 4th September

Monday 2nd October

Monday 6th November

Monday 4th December