

THE WHITCHURCH WATERWAY TRUST

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MINUTES of a Committee Meeting held on 19Oct2016 at the Dodington Lodge , Whitchurch, SY13 1EN

Present: Helen Brockman (Secretary and IWA)
Joan Crump
Ray Hatton
Paul Radcliffe (member)
Dave Smith
Bob Sumner
David Torrens
Bill Young

- 1) Apologies for Absence
Peggy Mullock (Shropshire Council), Wendy Capelle (CRT)
- 2) Minutes of the Previous Meeting
Were signed by the Chairman.
- 3) Matters Arising from that Meeting
To be covered during the meeting..
- 4) Basin Project
 - a) The EAFRD Grant Funding Agreement has been signed and posted. There will be an inception meeting with our EAFRD Project Manager.
 - b) Publicising EAFRD Funding Success
RH to check EAFRD publicity requirements eg logo with our EAFRD Project Manager
HB Members, SC Parks and Recreation, Whitchurch Town Council, IWA, CRT, our ecologist and archaeologist, IWA Restoration Committee
DT Website
DS Facebook, Whitchurch Herald, Shropshire Star and provide article to others
HB Whitchurch Walkers, Whitchurch Wildlife, Parish Paths Partnership
HB Shroppie Fly (local IWA), Shropshire Union Canal Society
HB Towpath Talk, Waterways World, (Canal Boat, Narrowboat, Tillergraph ?)
DS People who wrote letters of support
 - c) **DS** gave an update on the current planning position
Submitting a variation would not result in an extension of the planning permission
Platt White will have submitted all outstanding documents by 21Oct
 - d) Stage One
 - i) **HB** to get formal permission for Stage One from Shropshire Council Parks and Recreation as landowner
 - ii) **DS** to get Platt White to get contractors authorised by Shropshire Council Parks and Recreation to work on their land
 - iii) **HB** to ask ecologist to do the pre-work Ecology Survey
 - iv) **DS** to check with Platt White whether Shropshire Council will be happy with the fence line as specified in the Mar2016 Ecology Method Statement
 - v) **BY** to get the Water Vole Fence erected before work starts. The fence has to be checked by the ecologist during and after erection and contractors may need to be authorised by Shropshire Council Parks and Recreation
 - e) The EAFRD Funding Agreement requires that facilities built with EAFRD funding remain in place for at least 5 years. The facilities must continue to exist, even if future work requires some adjustment in their position.

- f) Basin Future Stages Planning meeting with David Torrens, Howard Worth and Dave Lamb
An agenda has been written. It was decided to re-visit this in Jan2017, when the work for Stage One is expected to have tailed off
- 5) Funding
 - a) Co-op Local Community Fund
Even though the Whitchurch Co-op will close later this year, local Co-op members can select WWT from the 3 available causes to receive 1% of what they spend on Co-op branded products, even in non-local Co-op shops. We already have over £500 from the carrier bag tax.
 - b) Alport FC Ethelstone Cup Funding
JC was still trying to find out what the misunderstanding had been, and had been given the name of a person to contact, but not their contact details.
- 6) Arm Maintenance
 - a) **BY** to get the weight limit for Chemistry Bridge revised now that all recommended repairs have been done (repeat Mexe assessment ?) so rubbish vehicles can collect from Chemistry Farm again
 - b) **DS** to repair the stop plank shelter - there had been a false report at the last meeting that it had already been done
- 7) Treasurer's Report
 - The latest accounts were circulated
 - RH** will visit the TSB to discuss cash flow and the possibility of a loan
 - DT** to get a solicitor to ID him so he can become a 3rd signatory for the TSB bank account
- 8) IWA/CRT Managing Waterway Restoration by Dr Geraint Coles
 - Sat 22 Oct Wigan From Creating a Vision to Restoration Planning
 - Sat 28Jan (somewhere in the Fens) Managing Restoration Delivery
 - Sat 18Mar Gloucester Keeping the Lights On
 - If anyone would like to go, please ask HB for details
- 9) CRT North Wales & Borders Annual Showcase Event Fri 21Oct Chester Racecourse
 - The flyer for this had been circulated - HB has details
- 10) Any Other Business
 - a) The annual IWA/CRT Restoration Workshop will be on 1Apr2017 in Wolverhampton. Bookings are not yet open, but we expect to be offered a place or maybe two.
 - b) Guided Walk with Peter Wagstaffe
PW had been keen on doing this sooner rather than later
DT to produce an article on the website
- 11) Dates of Future Meetings

1930 Wed 9Nov 2016 Dodington Lodge Hotel (*please note this has been re-arranged from 16Nov*)
 1930 Wed 14Dec 2016 Dodington Lodge Hotel
 1930 Wed 18Jan 2017 Dodington Lodge Hotel
 1930 Wed 15Feb 2017 Dodington Lodge Hotel
 1930 Wed 15Mar2017 Dodington Lodge Hotel
 1930 Wed 19Apr 2017 Dodington Lodge Hotel