

FoBM Committee Meeting Minutes - 10th June 2013

Agenda Item	Minutes	Actions
Opening formalities		
Attendees	Paul Marfell, Richard Freeman, Arnold Gill, Malcolm Leyland, Debbie Heeley, Mike Lawson	
Apologies	Elin Pheasant, David to attend late, Mike Whitehouse	
AOB		
Minutes of the last meeting including update on agreed actions	<p>It was agreed for the previous meetings minutes to be approved and signed at the next meeting and for the copy to be filed then.</p> <p>Christmas stall has been booked by Mike for Sunday 1st December. Mike also sent his apologies for that date as he will be absent.</p> <p>There is no Baildon Carnival/summer fair this year.</p> <p>Mike advised the walk with Alison Tymon was all agreed and booked. The leaflet to accompany this is still being worked upon. Mike will contact to confirm progress.</p> <p>As part of the Riches of the Earth project and as we were asking for another box via David, it was suggested that an official thank you should be written on behalf of FoBM.</p> <p>Paul confirmed that all events are on the website</p> <p>Saturday 22nd June -- guided walk "Bird life of Baildon Moor" has been advertised in the T&A. We need a risk assessment doing for this by the leader of the walk, Shaun and to be registered with ourselves for our insurance purposes.</p> <p>Some nesting signs are up. David delivered leaflets with new text from CSS.</p>	<p>Mike to contact Alison</p> <p>Action needs picking up</p> <p>Paul to contact Shaun to request risk assessment</p> <p>Paul to scan & laminate a number of printed copies</p>

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Treasurer's Report	<p>Funds were approximately £900 although we had meeting rooms to come out of this and we owed Richard for the insurance. Richard advised he was awaiting for the renewal policy to come through prior to reimbursement.</p> <p>Debbie advised that the accounts for 2012 had been completed and approved by David, she would provide a copy with the minutes for everyone to see. Going forward they needed to be completed for the AGM and signed off by the chair and one other.</p> <p>(Debbie confirms funds are £925.58 to 3/6/13)</p>	Debbie to confirm exact amount & provide accounts
Committee activities and proposals		
Correspondence	<p>Richard advised that Mike Whitehouse would like to attend regular meetings in the capacity of himself. However we have stated that he is welcome to attend the quarterly public meetings but unfortunately the monthly meetings are closed to the public. He can be proposed to be a committee member at the next AGM</p> <p>Email re wild flowers on Baildon Green, it was agreed that whilst we accept it in principle but not if it is on common land and if changed the ecology. Richard advised it would be very difficult to achieve. It was agreed as a committee we remain neutral until we know more.</p>	Richard to relate this to Mike
AOB	<p>David confirmed the sales of the Riches of the Earth books were doing well and that he had requested another box and was waiting to hear. Malcolm confirmed he was sold out and had a waiting list. Mike was able to provide replenishments.</p> <p>Malcolm to put a finger post on the moor for identification of a path near the top car park which meets up with the track towards the little huts.</p>	Malcolm, Mike
Acrehowe Cross	<p>Malcolm and Mike agreed to meet on Monday 17th June at 10am to seek and discuss the possible site of Acrehowe Cross. Malcolm did advise he had been up recently and seen a boulder in the right spot to take a plaque. He suggested that the plaque should state "this is the site of Acrehowe Cross destroyed in 1854. It was agreed the wording would be decided at later date once the site had been confirmed.</p>	

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Bracken Control & Management	<p>Malcolm advised there had been some effect of the weed wipe with round up but was only partially successful, weed wiping with Asulam/Asulox near to Dobrudden approximately 75% successful. They then tried spraying which has been hugely successful, unfortunately now where there is no bracken, willow herb is coming back and it appears to be either the bracken or willow herb. This is obviously a trade off and the willow herb would than need to be cut back with a strimmer.</p> <p>Malcolm to arrange a meeting with Richard to discuss areas that could be sprayed. Countryside services will continue spraying when the time is right. There needs to be a full covering of bracken before it can be successful. Asulam use has been extended for another year and is available on licence.</p> <p>The litter wants removing and breaking up with a harrow in order for the grass to grow back. In the past there are places by the side of the 7th fairway where the litter has been scraped in to a hump and the grass has now re grown. The view would be to try and plant more heather in its place.</p>	Malcolm to arrange meeting
Calendar of events	<p>It was agreed we should start cutting the bracken and the following dates were arranged - Thursday 20th June 7pm starting from Low Springs, people to meet there Thursday 27th June 7pm start by Crooks Farm, meeting at the start of the lane. Volunteers welcome. Debbie sends her apologies for both these dates, Richard sends his apologies for 27th.</p> <p>Litter pick Tuesday 18th June 7pm at Eves car park, apologies from Richard and Debbie</p>	Paul to put on website Richard to complete risk assessment and to pass round for agreement
Paths & Access	<p>David at Parish Council meeting to discuss grant for extended Sconce path</p> <p>We thought we should publicise the prospect of the extended path via the website, also maybe some temporary signs similar to those placed for planning permission, to go on the moor and in the library etc, advising the forth coming event. This will hope to eliminate any fall out and also to keep people informed.</p>	
Membership communications	No further increase in members	

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Interpretation boards	<p>Mike thought these had been dropped for two reasons, one we thought there was too much furniture on the moor already and also that funds may not be available as once first thought. Mike felt that the money that was there was being used for the leaflets.</p> <p>We need to decide which way we want to proceed with this as by having the boards it may reduce the amount of furniture in the longer term.</p>	<p>Mike to clarify with Alison</p> <p>Put as an agenda item at next meeting</p>
Parish Council update	<p>David confirmed that we had been successful in being granted £2725 for the path extension. The work can start in August or September whilst it remains dry. We need to continue advertising the path extension and confirming it will be going ahead along with acknowledgement of the assistance of the PC</p>	<p>Paul to place notification on website</p> <p>Richard P to advise date of work</p>
Reservoir developments	<p>Malcolm confirmed the latest, the plan is still to fill in top reservoir and soil it over. The bottom two will be left for fishing but will only be half full approx 10ft and the overflow will be lowered.</p>	
Stakeholder activities and proposals		
Countryside Service	No additional updates	
Woodlands Team	No updates	
AOB		
	Above	
Next meeting		
Date & time of next meeting	Monday 8th July 7pm Baildon Club. Informal discussions in the bar afterwards	
Agreement of actions		

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