

ALBRIGHTON AND DISTRICT FOOTPATH GROUP

Minutes of a meeting held Wednesday 2nd, May, 2018 in the Red House, Albrighton at 7.30 pm.

1. Present: - Tony Wrighton-Chairman, Andy Gilson-Treasurer; John Crossland, John Rideout, Rick and Elaine Shaw, Gary Woolridge, Peter Illes-Secretary.

Apologies: Gordon Peacock, Brian Maylor, Malcolm White, Jon Earle and Bob Wilkinson.

2. The Minutes of the last meeting held 3rd January 2018 were accepted as a true record and a warm welcome extended to new members, Hugh Kirton, Gary Woolridge and Bob Wilkinson (although absent) .

3. Matters Arising

3.1 Thanks had been received for the garden work at the Melville, noting this may need to be repeated in the late summer/early autumn.

3-2 PI gave an update on Jessops Shaw Lane development and would continue to lobby the Parish Council to secure a new ROW -recognising that there were more pressing principles exercising their minds-road access, impact on the surgery/village and drainage.

3-3-The local charities/activities event in the Red House and standing article in the Parish Magazine had generated 2 further volunteers.

4. Path Reports

A1. Green Lane to A464 Elaine Shaw – the ROW blocked by a fallen tree had been cleared.

A2 Windmill Lane. to Bowling Green Lane – Elaine Shaw –will need strimming.

A6. High Street (side of Harp) – Peter Illes-will need strimming and overgrowth cut back.

A7. Cross Roads to A8 – Jon Earl- bulging fence issue resolved.

A8. to A10 behind the Harp – Jon Earl- needs strimming and latch on bridleway gate. TW to request Countryside Services to cut with flail mower.

A9. Newhouse Lane to A8 – Peter Illes ok

A10. High Street to A8 –Elaine Shaw No issues.

A11. A10 to Pebble Brook –Tony Wrighton needs strimming and AG to thin out blackthorn.

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A12. Kingswood Road to Pebble Brook – Tony Wrighton Needs strimming. Considering fitting a kiss gate.

A13. Highhouse Lane to County Lane – Peter Illes -Overplanting reported to SCC. Stile needs replacing-may consider a gate.

Pebble Brook Permissive Path- removed some leaning willow trees.

All Boningale Paths – Andy Gilson

B1. Pebble Brook to Woodhouse Lane OK but needs dog fouling notices. TW to order.

B2. B1 to A464 -ok.

B3. Newhouse Lane to A464 (Long Path) rape seed planted-will keep reviewed to ensure path not compromised. Request made to Farm Manager to mow-TW to follow up.

B4. Newhouse Lane to A464 No issues and largely defunct

B13. Pepperhill to County Lane-needs strimming and work on overhanging trees.

B14. A464 to Pepperhill ok

B15. Woodhouse Lane (East) to Pebble Brook -ok

Boningale Permissive Path –stile replaced by a new gate at the A464 end. AG to fit spring to ensure access to landowners' mower is not compromised.

Donington Paths

D1. Bypass to Blue House Lane – Brian Maylor- needs strimming and stile steps need replacing.

D2. Blue House Lane to Shackley Lane – Brian Maylor/Malcolm White
Loose post on stile secured by string needs attention SCC had written to Mr Eaton re need to clear path.

D3 Mill Lane to M54 – Malcolm White. No issues

D4 Renshaw Wood Lane to Codsall Road – Brian Maylor No issues

Boscobel Paths

Bos 1 White Ladies to Parish Boundary – Jon Earl No issues but very wet.

Bos 2 Boscobel House to White Ladies – Jon Earl No issues but very wet.

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6. Treasurers Report

6.1 – Year end accounts provided- No 1 account standing at £603-27 and No 2 account at £559-71 with Cash account at £17-25. Secretary expenses £7. Strimmer maintenance £154.

6.2-The cost of the walker's leaflet had stood at £1-50 for 20 years and it was agreed to increase this to £2 with immediate effect. Consideration will also be given to providing maps via PDF, s on the website-PI to enquire- thus saving on printing costs -although a RAF grant may be securable to cover.

6-3 It was agreed to purchase additional high viz jackets.

7. Any Other Business

7.1 TW had circulated the latest insurance cover document provided by SCC –copy of which would be forwarded to HK/MW for DPC.

7.2 -JC was asked to help in converting a “table size” map showing numbered paths to A4 sheets for ease of reviewing/reporting.

7.3 –TW would obtain more copies of the latest SCC publication on ROW for new members.

7-4 –TW would issue a strimming program –now attached-to commence in late June and requested volunteers to advise him of their availability.

8-Date of next Meeting.

This will be on Wednesday 5th September 2018 at 7.30 pm.

Peter Illes,
Secretary 12th May2018.