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| NOTTINGHAMSHIRELOCAL ACCESS FORUMMEETING  |  |

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| MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY: | Neil Lewis (Officer NCC) | DATE: TIME: VENUE: |  Tuesday 14th May 2024 19.15 Rufford Suite, County Hall, West Bridgford. |
|  |  |  NOTE TAKER: |  Mary Mills (NCC) |
| MEMBERS:GUESTS Laura Armitage and Melissa Morrell from the Active Partners Trust – Active Notts  | Dave Backhouse, Mary Mills, Penny Lymn Rose, Alan Hudson, Andrew Osbourne | OFFICERS: |  Neil Lewis (NCC) |

# MINUTES

#### ITEM 1 – APOLOGIES

Stephen Walker, Sue Jones, Councilor Quigley, Lynne Collins, Debbi Smith, Dennis Reeson, Councilor Creamer, Hilary Limb, Chris Thompson.

**ITEM 2 – MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING**

The minutes from the last meeting held at Rufford Mill, Rufford on Wednesday 28th February 2024 were approved as a true record.

**ITEM 3 – MATTERS ARISING NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE IN THE AGENDA**

**New Bridge at Trent side** – A joint meeting of the County and City LAFs was held on 18th March 2024, to find out more about the plans for the new bridge. The funding for the bridge is ringfenced so should go ahead. Linking paths will be created and improved on both sides of the Trent on the approaches to the new structure.

**ITEM 4 – ACTIVE NOTTS**

Laura Armitage and Melissa Morrell from ‘Active Partners Trust’ introduced themselves and gave us a good overview of their project in Nottinghamshire. Funded by Public Health through Sport England (initially for 2 years), their remit is to bring activity (predominately walking) into the lives of people who currently experience barriers (perceived and physical) which are preventing them accessing the outdoors.

They were interested to learn more about what is already available in Nottinghamshire in terms of accessible trails, websites, leafleted walks and health walks.

They aim to bring together the information already available as well as their own contributions and make it all available in ways that will appeal to those who currently don’t access the outdoors because they just don’t know what to expect.

An App “Go Jauntly” is being used, this is not a map app, it instead uses pictures and directions, and it is hoped to add lots of information and walks to that App, to help those who don’t read maps.

LAF members asked lots of questions and contributed to the discussion around the project.

The Countryside Access Team will assist where possible with any information that will help with the project.

Laura, Melissa, and Sarah (also part of the team) will attend future LAF meetings and keep us updated.

**ITEM 5 –** **UPDATE ON THE M2M PROJECT-TRAILS AND PATHS**

The project finishes shortly, walk leaflets have been produced, some signage, steps and other works are still to be completed.

Neil to provide copies of booklets produced by the project for distribution at the next meeting.

**ITEM 6 - TRENT VALE TRAIL**

A Diversion and upgrade of paths at South Clifton is currently progressing through the legal stages, this will provide a route on bridleways into South Clifton and permissive access for walkers to the trig point overlooking the Trent Vale. All 14 miles of the trail should be open and available in 2025.

**ITEM 7 – PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDERS – STANDING ITEM**

No updates on PSPOs affecting public access.

**ITEM 8 – NETWORK RAIL – STANDING ITEM**

Neil to invite a representative of Network Rail to attend our next meeting to update us on their plans and discuss concerns.

**Chestnut Grove Crossing, Burton Joyce**: Network Rail have approached NCC about closing this crossing due to safety concerns, misuse, anti-social behaviour etc. There is concern locally and from stakeholders regarding a closure here. Potentially Network Rail could close it using their own powers.

**ITEM 9 – NCC PLANNING AND RIGHTS OF WAY CTTE – STANDING ITEM**

No Update.

**ITEM 10 – TOWN OR VILLAGE GREENS/ COMMON LAND – STANDING ITEM**

No update.

**ITEM 11 – PPOs AND DMMOs – STANDING ITEM**

Neil confirmed that there are approximately 220 claims with the County Council for DMMOs to add public paths to the network, some of these claims include several paths, and some have been waiting for a very long time.

**Elston** – a DMMO has been confirmed by the Planning Inspectorate, various PPOs are now out to consultation to enable the recognised paths to be accommodated in the modern landscape.

**Normanton on Trent FP8** – Diversion Order made but still one outstanding objection to be resolved.

**Nettleworth Manor-**Spion Kop Warsop, DMMO made for Restricted Byway, landowner has objected but has agreed to consider extinguishment of the Restricted Byway and creation of a Bridleway on a similar alignment.

**Misson** – DMMO to be made to add a public footpath in the Parish of Misson.

**ITEM 12 – ANY OTHER BUSINESS/ MEMBERS UPDATE**

**Welbeck Estates –** A site visit has been arranged for 10th June at 1pm at Jubilee Way, Mansfield, to look at proposed development and allow LAF members to have input into the creation of a suitable network of public paths around the site.

**Radcliffe on Trent to Cotgrave multiuser greenway –** The greenway had to be closed to protect public safety after excavations from the adjacent landowner caused a partial collapse of the railway embankment, there is no progress to report.

**Attenborough for All –** A new consultation and project group have asked us for a LAF Representative, Chris Thompson has volunteered- no update.

**D2N2 Cycle Alliance** – Penny has agreed to contact them and find out what is happening and ensure we are kept updated and that the plan also includes and considers horse riders – no update so far.

**ITEM 13 – FUTURE DATES AND VENUES**

The next full LAF meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 17th September 2024 at 1.30 at Rufford Mill, Rufford – subject to confirmation of availability of a room.

Close of meeting.