

CALDERDALE LOCAL ACCESS FORUM MEETING - TOWN HALL, HALIFAX THURSDAY 17TH MAY 2016

PRESENT

Julie Swift (CMBC)
Sarah Whiteley (Chair)
Eleanor Green
Graham Ramsden
Corrine Kielty (Ryburn Valley Greenway)
Peter Stubbs (Economy and Environment)
Andy Mackintosh (Natural England)
David Wakeford

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Sarah Whiteley opened the meeting, welcomed attendees - introductions ensued

2. APOLOGIES

Moy Cash, Sarah Talbot-Greaves, David Austin, Chipps Chippendale

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING

EG asked for update on Norland Moor. JS While we have a clear mandate for some management proposals, there is a large variety of opinions about dogs and cyclists; Robin Dalton is currently writing an options appraisal to take back to the people who took part in the focus groups to try to clarify public opinion on the more contentious issues before production of the draft management plan. The resulting document will have to go out for full consultation once the management plan has been written.

4. PRESENTATION ABOUT RIGHTS OF WAY IN CALDERDALE

Peter Stubbs, CMBC Transport and Strategy Manager, attended and gave an update on Rights of Way and other Highway issues.

Please see Appendix 1 Attached Question & Answer Sheet.

5. UPDATE ON THE DEREGULATION BILL BY NATURAL ENGLAND

The meeting was taken through a Powerpoint presentation by Andy Mackintosh of Natural England. Please see Appendix 2.

6. RYBURN VALLEY GREENWAY UPDATE

Corrine Kielty attended to provide an update on Ryburn Valley Greenway (RVG) CK: The RVG Annual General Meeting was well attended and the majority of people were supportive. It has got this far because so many people have supported the project. Looking to build on the 350 people signed up already (presence at Sowerby Bridge market to help achieve this). Had a recent contact asking "how do I get on the route at the moment – lived in Sowerby Bridge 33 years and didn't know it existed". We need to keep going with the publicity machine and it is intended to organise a walk from Sowerby Bridge and involve the person who wrote about the history of the railway to do a talk. It won't be organised as such; will show people the route and need to make it clear people have to be able bodied to use it. As it stands at the moment, going to have to take people through Calder Valley Skip Hire though we are concerned about the effect on the Greenway of proposed chimney at the bottom, which would be level with the Greenway – have met with the people who are opposing the chimney and are supporting them. Don't think decision on incinerator final

EG what would consultation be around CK proposed route.

EG Where are we with land owners. Ones that are against it are against it.

We need to prioritise areas we can do quickly and economically.

7. UPDATES FROM MEMBERS

None

8. PROPOSED FOOTPATH DIVERSIONS

No footpath diversions received

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a) Yorkshire and Humber Regional Access Forum Meeting is on Wednesday 21st September at Committee Room 1, Barnsley Town Hall. Discuss with Julie if anyone would like to attend/represent Calderdale LAF s

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 18th August – 6.15pm Town Hall, Meeting Room D