



Committee Meeting 12th February 2019 Hare Hill House

Present

Ian Jackson
Michael Price
Gillian Price
Barry Cropper
John Kay
Bob Wetherly
Julian Farnell
Ann Stott
John Stanley
Vivienne Ashworth

The meeting was opened by Ian Jackson at 7.30pm

1. Apologies for absence

Janet Emsley Iain Gerrard Nick Andrews Shaun Clancy

2. Submissions for AOB

None

3. Minutes of the meeting 11th December 2018 and 8th January 2019

Agreed

Matters arising

From 11th December 2018 and 12th February – IJ has still not had a reply from Homes England. He is now trying to contact the Chief Executive for an update and he will also write to Tony Lloyd MP

4. Treasurer's Report

Total funds in the account £3321.81

Online banking is to be pursued. IJ will collect the necessary forms from Yorkshire Bank for completion

5. Planning application updates

None to discuss

It was noted that the GMSF Consultation Event was held at Hare Hill House on 7th February 2018. After discussion it was decided that the Chair would respond to the consultation on behalf of LCT stating our objection to the proposals for housing development in the Littleborough area and that consideration should be given to increased car parking instead

6. Charity Commission News January Edition

In the absence of Nick Andrews this item was deferred to the March meeting

7. Canalside Development Group

JF gave an update on the progress of work on the boat. The hull is now ready for sandblasting. There is no concern regarding viability to withhold water but it will still need to be inspected. Discussion took place regarding the type of paint to be used on the hull.

JF is to send a more detailed report to IJ

8. Flood Resilience Group

Members of the group attended the Environmental Agency Headquarters in Warrington in January. This was a very enlightening visit and covered many topics of mutual interest. The EA showed plans for the Flood Defences around Littleborough which will hopefully be on display at the FRG event on 23rd February at Hare Hill House. Adverts for this event have been posted on Facebook, Discuss Littleborough, Rochdale Online. Members of the group have also asked shops in Littleborough to display an advertising poster. We thank all parties who have agreed.

A decision was made not to apply for funding to Pennine Township for this event as costs have been covered from CUPi monies

FRG is now a registered member of the Lancashire Flood Action Group
With monies from CUPi we have been able to secure our own Logo which will be used on all FRG correspondence to promote our group even further.

9. Social Media

Pictures of the Canal Boat have now been uploaded to Facebook

IJ enquired if we should have a Twitter account. This was rejected

10. News/Events

Three members of the FRG will attend a meeting in Lancaster on 16th March 2019 entitled "Let's talk about flooding" hosted by The National Flood Forum.

11.AOB

Details of LCT need updating on Rochdale Online, a password is required to do this, JK to supply.

C&RT have suggested that a memorial plaque for Brian Holden should be placed on an existing bench near the canal. There were objections to this so it was suggested that all interested parties come together to make a decision of what is required as an appropriate memorial

The meeting closed at 9pm

The next meeting will be held on 12th March 2019 at 7.30pm at Hare Hill House

All members of the LCT and Canalside Development Group are welcome to attend