



Minutes of the Holmes Chapel Partnership Committee Meeting Monday, 18th September 2023

7.30pm - Massey Room, St. Luke's Church Hall

Present: Peter Whiers, Hazel Sutcliffe, Richard Garton, Gail Griggs, Sarah Archibald, Rich Wilcock

Apologies: Karoline Peach, Helen Ratcliffe, Diane Tams, Rab Parry, Russel Chadwick

AUGUST MINUTES - PETER / ALL

- Peter and Gail still need to meet to discuss volunteer job opportunities for website and Facebook.
- Hazel: Dane Meadow update. HCPC has accepted quote from Cagna to fix pond liner. John Clowes will project manage. Tim Body at CE will be replaced by James Baggaley.

SPEEDWATCH - HAZEL / PETER

- Hazel has written to Jim Adams who is asking superior for update. Awaiting response.
- Hazel, Peter and Russell to meet with Hermitage Primary School now CE have confirmed the need for a crossing on Macclesfield Road.

SAFE SPACES - GAIL

- Morrisons and A Stroke of Magic at Goostrey Home & Leisure added to scheme with 11 locations in total.
- Gail has requested more window stickers from The Villages Mag as we have run out. Will hold a waiting list for others wanting to join.
- Gail spoke to Jodie Clough from Open Forum Events who came across scheme via LinkedIn and wanted some information for adult safeguarding training courses.

HARRY STYLES WALK - PETER / GAIL

- ITV filmed walk and Josie Gibson interviewed Gail on 15th Sept.
- Onto second visitors book at train station. Peter / Gail to scan first book and put on website (January).
- Need to create Harry Styles information page on HCP website.
- Ian Davidson has written a thesis on the viaduct as a listed structure and point of interest, need to find out if we can use an extract of his information. Peter to meet.
- HCPC are supportive of viaduct but not when messages / graffiti spills out onto signage etc.
- Network Rail have no issues with graffiti on the viaduct as it does not affect the structural integrity of the bridge.
- Need to discuss with landowner the addition of signage with directions and messages to not drop litter and look after the area etc on fences / gates.
- Barclays volunteers could be put to use revamping the route and making safer. Especially muddy slope down to the bridge, could Alan Bethall provide wood chips?
- Peter and Tina still to meet with CE following letter of complaint via CE of damage to viaduct caused by visitors signing names on brickwork.

FINANCE - RICHARD

- Income from Christmas market stalls started to arrive.
- Bridge the Gap money has been transferred to their own account.

PARTNERSHIP FUNDING - PETER

- Patron sponsorship secured from Hermitage Estate and Massey Feeds. Top Secret Furniture, Siebelco, Joe White, Laura Wilson all confirmed Xmas market sponsors.
- Charity status has been refused. Will ask to be reassessed along with additional information. Peter to contact CVS Congleton to ask for guidance on application and wording.
- Charity status particularly needed for Sleigh donations and fundraising raffle.

XMAS MARKET - PETER / GAIL

- Estimated stall income numbers discussed for budget.
- Gail to meet with Laura Wilson to discuss stage running order. Need to allow time at the end to draw the raffle prizes. Maybe no band this year?
- Schools have been contacted and asked to perform on stage.
- Reminder for stall applications to be added to October newsletter and Facebook page.
- Discussed a Christmas light switch on event but not possible due to location of tree and close proximity to Market event.

PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE - RICH

- HCPC have asked for SIDs to be changed from temporary to permanent devices. CE Highways have responded to say the temporary ones are more appropriate for HC.
- A meeting will be held to respond to residents concerns over Airband pole installations. Not much can be done by HCPC.
- 'Reclaim the paths' plan has been put together and will be led by John Clowes.
- Still awaiting confirmation and official minutes from the recent CE highways meeting that was very positive in terms of support for traffic issues in HC.

AOB - ALL

- October newsletter will be distributed on 30th September. As Hazel is away Peter and Gail will help distribute hard copies.
- Hazel has spoken to PCSO to put together list of 12 points of danger for cyclists around village.

Date for next meeting is on 16th October, Massey Room, St. Luke's Church Hall

Common acronyms:

CE = Cheshire East County Council

HCP = Holmes Chapel Partnership

HCCC = Holmes Chapel Community Centre

HCCS = Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School

HCPC = Holmes Chapel Parish Council