

Herefordshire Local Access Forum Meeting

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ATTENDANCE		
<p>Name: Ian Carr Sue Enfield Mike Everitt Duncan Green Cllr Harrington Arthur Lee</p>	<p>Name: Ian Stead Callum Bush (Balfour Beatty) Jill Addis (Balfour Beatty) Cllr Symonds Andy Parr (Member of the public)</p>	
APOLOGIES		
<p>Viv Burdon, Myra Chilman, David Howerski, Peter Newman, Josie Pearson, Hugh Vernon. David Willis resigned.</p> <p>Notes Prepared By: Jill Addis</p>		
AGENDA SUMMARY		
1.0	Welcome and apologies for absence	
2.0	Minutes	
3.0	Matters arising	
4.0	Forum Business	
5.0	Rights of Way Service Provider’s Report	
6.0	Working Group Reports	
7.0	Questions from members of the public	
8.0	Any other business	
	Any business submitted to the Chair prior to/or at the beginning of the meeting. To be discussed time permitting at the discretion of the Chair	
9.0	Proposed dates of 2022 meetings	
	TBC	
DISTRIBUTION		
HLAF Members, Spencer Grogan, Herefordshire Council website		
MINUTES AND CHECK LIST		ACTION
580.	WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
	Apologies were noted as above.	
581.	MINUTES	
	The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting.	
582.	MATTERS ARISING	
	ME said they had heard nothing about statistics following a meeting with AA in April. CB said there were a number of anomalies with Confirm, often due to user error. The move to HC would hopefully provide an opportunity to capture more accurate data.	

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<p>ME commented that he did not understand how HC monitored the contract with inaccurate data.</p> <p>ME had concerns about work stopping altogether during the transfer to HC due to the processes that would need to be put in place.</p> <p>Cllr H said there was a contingency and extra funding available. There would be a staggered return and a service agreement with Hoople to undertake operational work on the ground. He will ask that the plan is shared with LAF members. He would like to be able to start using volunteers as a resource immediately.</p> <p>Cllr S said it would be useful if the forum could provide details of established groups of volunteers. They could then be prioritised, possibly setting up a pilot scheme in 2 or 3 areas that could be rolled out.</p> <p>ME said volunteers should only be used as a support. Cllr H replied that volunteers would not be expected to 'do the hard yards'.</p> <p>DG said he and AL had met with Hoople and setting up a database would not be difficult. He added that Powys had a good model for working with volunteers. He also said that a meeting should be planned with parish footpath officers.</p> <p>Cllr H & Cllr S are to make contact with DG and AL regarding their meeting with Hoople.</p> <p>AL said that a Volunteer Co-ordinator would be required. Cllr added that the role was an essential part of the transfer. AL said that Mike Goodwin was now the Chair of the Ramblers and would be a good contact as he also arranged volunteers.</p>	<p>Cllr H</p> <p>ALL</p>
<p>583. FORUM BUSINESS</p>	
<p>AL had nothing to report.</p>	
<p>584. RIGHTS OF WAY SERVICE PROVIDER'S REPORT</p>	
<p>AL asked if there were any questions on the report which had been sent out in December.</p> <p>DG said he would like more detail on the enforcement cases. He would like to know what the progress is on each case. CB said he would look into what could be provided, depending on GDPR.</p> <p>IS asked when modification M325 in Dinedor would be put on the map as it has been blocked by landowners. He will send details through to CB.</p>	<p>CB</p> <p>IS</p>
<p>585. WORKING GROUP REPORTS</p>	
<p>AL said DH had been in contact with Jesse Norman regarding deferring 2026. Cllr H asked how to focus attention on the issue. DG said there is a meeting of the Stakeholder Working Group in March. There are 3 representatives on the group that he knows. He will forward details to Cllr H. One of the 3 is Mike Walker who used to work for Herefordshire. DG suggested that the council start to lobby them.</p>	<p>DG</p>

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