

## Holymoorside & Walton Parish Council

Minutes of the footpath working party meeting held on Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019 in the committee room of the village hall, Holymoorside, Chesterfield.

Present; *Councillors* Thacker (in the chair), Broderick, Hinchliffe, Truscott & Walker; *Clerk* K Brailsford; Volunteers K Singleton & J Walters

### AGENDA PART 1 - non-confidential information

#### 1.0 To receive apologies for absence

NOTED; apologies from volunteer Mr Haigh.

#### 2.0 Updates and reports on new matters

NOTED; following various discussions with DCC, they had finally agreed that galvanised 'u' nails could be placed on the steps of FP 27 (accessed via the path off New Road adjacent School Court). A quotation of £80 had been received for this and would be considered at the full council meeting later that evening.

NOTED; members of the working party agreed that this would be a good first step however, Cllr Hinchliffe agreed to approach the land-owner to ascertain if he would be willing to provide a hand-rail at his own expense.

NOTED; discussion in relation to the possible diversion the path to a less steep area and the implications related to this. Again, Cllr Hinchliffe will discuss this with the land-owner and inform the Clerk when she had information.

NOTED; Cllr Walker suggested that the council promote the footpaths more and include more in-depth information in the minutes. However, the website already has a page relating to the footpaths, together with a link to DCC mapping portal where all footpath maps could be accessed. Holymoorside History Society also carried footpath information on their website and previously the pariah council had worked with NEDDC to provide both books and audio tapes of walks within the parish.

**AGREED**; if available, more information would be placed in the minutes to easily locate the areas discussed.

NOTED; volunteer Keith Singleton reported that he had personally carried out repairs as follows;

- FP31 (Somersall past the tennis courts to Sewerage Lane) repairs to stiles
- FP31 (near boundary stone at Somersall Hall end, first hedge near the gate) top rail repaired
- FP30/31 junction (edge of tennis courts) two posts repaired

NOTED; FP30/31 (near small bridge) there was possibly a rail missing of the bridge and Mr Singleton would investigate and repair as necessary.

NOTED; Mr Singleton, as a National Park Ranger, will be placing 'dogs on lead' signs on FP21 near Harewood Moor (past Glendale Farm and Harewood Grange Farm), the land being open access

NOTED; after the work to FP 27 had been completed there was still £375 left to spend.

**RECOMMENDED**: the Clerk has the authority to sanction any works under the MMA brought to her attention that could be completed in this financial year.

#### 3) Date of the next meeting

NOTED; future working party meetings will be held in March and September as the meeting in January left it too late to commission works before year end and contractors were usually unable to complete any works in the winter months.