Minutes: Paths Group Meeting 8/07/19 at 7.00 pm

Venue: Village Hall

Present: John Jones (Chair), Morag Jones, Alison MacDougall, Alastair MacDougall.

1. Welcome and Apologies

Apologies were received from Sue Metcalfe, Sheila Wilson, Sheila MacKenzie

2. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the meeting of 4th Feb. were approved.

3. Leaflet

The Chair noted that the path group budget stands at £ 2580.41. £500 of this will be allocated to path signs.

The paths leaflet is selling well in the Tourist Office. We may wish to place some of the leaflets at the Post Office.

Action Point: Chair to determine how many of the original 1,500 print run remain and to consider a reprint.

4. Benches & Signs

The purchase of the Teddy Bear's picnic/Jetty/Car Park area should be completed in the next few months.

The proposal to place a bench on the village green was resurrected.

Action Point: Chair to discuss the above matters with the Community Company Board.

No update on the Ardnastang Beach locations.

Action Point: Chair to discuss with Robert Dunn.

Sheila Wilson has sent an email saying that the men shed do not have the time/equipment to provide path signs.

<u>Action Point</u>: Paths Group to tender the job via the local Magazine. A detailed specification of requirements needs to be outlined.

5. Working Party Days.

We should look to recommence these in September.

6. GPS. Nothing at present.

7. A.O.B.

There was discussion around an initiative to upgrade the Community Woodland area with a view to renewed interest in the work of the Paths Group.

It was agreed to have an extra meeting at the Ariundle Centre to discuss sign specification.

8. Date of next meeting.

To be arranged for early September.

Meeting at the Ariundle Centre on 16th July to discuss sign specification

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Sheila W reported that Aiden is happy to let Eric/Harry use his equipment to produce the signs. They would charge for materials only but the Paths Group would, in addition, make a donation to the Men's Shed. Materials could be sourced from Ardtornish/Saw Mill on the Drimnin Road. Eliigh-Ann has confirmed that we can use the current post structure by the shop in the village to improve the paths' signs.

Signs Required:

- 1) Lay-by at Ardnastang Beach to read 'No Parking'.
- 2) Finger sign at Village Green post to read 'Phemies Trail'.
- 3) Finger sign at Village Green post to read 'Fairies Road'.
- 4) Finger sign at Village Green post to read 'Ardnastang Beach' (Plus distance).
- 5) Finger sign 'Kilcamb Woodland Walk' to be removed and this sign to be used as a template for the other signs.
- 6) Finger sign at Ardnastang Beach to read 'Ardnastang Beach No Vehicles'.
- 7) Finger sign at the post at the top of Longrigg Road to read 'High Road'.
- 8) Finger sign at the post at the top of Longrigg Road to read 'Ardnastang'.
- 9) Barrier sign at the Fire Station end of the Back Road to read 'Back Road No Vehicles'.
- 10) Sign as 9) for the Drimnatorran Bridge end of the Back Road.
- 11) Sign attached to a lamp post near Eric's B&B indicating 'Back Road'.
- 12) Replace stob at old primary school indicating 'Strontian Hotel'.
- 13) Post and finger sign, one at either end of the footpath "Longrigg Burn"

Signs Pending:

- A) Tom an t-Sithein.
- B) Teddy Bear's Picnic.
- C) Jetty
- D) Post Office/Fuel.

A number of plaques are required to provide acknowledgement of the assistance of 'Paths for All', etc.