NOTTINGHAM LOCAL ACCESS FORUM

M I N U T E S

Meeting held on 01/10/14 Loxley House from 6.30 pm to 8.35pm, Room LH 2:11

Present at meeting

Jonathon Fletcher	Nick Haynes
Tom Huggon	Steve Rhodes
Margaret Knowles	
Hugh McClintock (chair)	
Diane Moore	
Ruth Thurgood (vice chair)	
Dan Yates	
Roger Sexton	

Also in attendance:

John Lee, Public Rights of Way (Advisor, Nottingham City Council)
Sue Thorpe, minutes

ACTIONS

1.0 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Councillor Urquhart, Councillor Grocock.
Chris Thompson, provided an email update on various agenda items. (JL to send email to members) **HMc & JL**

2.0 MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

RS (3.2) gave feedback on the Sneinton walk and mentioned its significant historic interest. RS believes lesson can be learned for future publicity of walk launches.

John Lee suggested taking advice from the Council's Communications and Marketing Team for future publicity. **JL**

3.0 UPDATE FROM THE WALKS SUBGROUP INCLUDING PROMOTION OF THE WALKS

3.1 The LAF thanked MK for the Sneinton walk and her interesting account off the history of the area.

3.2 RT updated on the route description for the Broxtowe and Strelley walk which is the most challenging walk so far and asked members to try the walk and to feedback comments. **ALL**

3.3 RS spoke of potentially joining with public transport links such as the Bus and Tram and source any potential funding from NET.

3.4 MK feels there is an excellent opportunity to include more historic interest in the walks. MK is happy to try and source the information. **MK**

3.5 JF spoke about the Clifton walk, leaflets are in progress but there are works related to NET still in operation, the leaflets will be completed in draft when NET works are nearer to completion. Next meeting is Tuesday 11th November 6pm hand and Heart Derby Rd. **Sub Group**

4.0 UPDATE FROM THE DEFINITVE MAP SUB GROUP

4.1 CT sent an email update in his absence which will be forwarded to the group for information in relation to the Archive Library and various other items. **JL**

4.2 TH will provide a written user statement in support of the **TH**

Modification Order at Malin Hill.

5.0 UPDATE ON ROW SCHEMES 2014/15

5.1 Colwick Footbridge progress is going well. This is being built on site and should be completed by end of October, feedback from the local residents and park users have been positive.

5.2 Colwick Road steps linking Colwick Road and Sneinton Boulevard have been repaired using new sleepers and galvanised steel handrails.

5.3 HMcC & JL recently met at Queens Drive to look at existing cycle signage. Current signage is confusing and will be replaced with clear directional signage to major destinations including links to the University of Nottingham, Clifton, Wilford, Lenton, Big Track, River Trent and Canal.

5.4 The Trent Valley Way Bridleway surface between Barton in Fabis and Wilford which was damaged by floods is being repaired.

5.5 A number of old access barriers have been removed at Martins Pond and Raleigh Pond Wollaton which has improved access for all, with good feedback, already seeing an increase in mobility scooter users.

5.6 A “wish list” of schemes has been submitted to the LTP team for funding during 2015/16 including improving the surface and access points along the footpath at Colwick Woods, Greenwood Road to Sneinton Boulevard which is used by school children from the nearby academies.

5.7 ROWIP2 is going to the Councils Executive Board November/December for adoption and publication December/January.

6.0 REVIEW OF THE BOUNDARY ISSUES ON ROBIN HOOD CHASE INCLOSURE LAND AND OPEN SPACE

6.1 TH gave a summary of the key issues concerning the Robin Hood Chase 1845 Inclosure land, including encroachment by fencing and other minor development over the last 35 years. Planning applications have been approved without due consideration to historic and protected boundaries and a review has taken place using old maps. Boundaries will be demarcated which will help with future protection of this historic land. Members thanked TH for his perseverance with this long standing issue.

7.0 PRESENTATION ON THE PROPOSALS FOR A FOOT/CYCLE BRIDGE OVER THE RIVER TRENT FROM TRENT LANE TO LADY BAY

7.1 HMcC gave a presentation on the proposal to build a foot/cycle bridge between Trent Lane and Ladybay, West Bridgford.

7.2 Members thanked HMcC and discussion followed. In principal the LAF were very supportive of the idea and could see the benefits to both walkers and cyclists, for commuting, leisure and access to open and green spaces on both sides of the river.

7.3 RS suggested that the presentation should focus more on the local importance as opposed to the wider benefits. All agreed that such as bridge should be an iconic structure so careful design and planning is required.

8.0 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

8.1 MK – design of shared spaces should be included as a future agenda item. MK mentioned that planning applications should be looked at weekly for implications to ROW.

8.2 HMcC advised members of the regional LAF chairs meeting being held at Loxley House on 20th October LB41 at 10:30, all welcome.

9.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

January 7th 2015 6:30-8:30 Loxley House.