

LLANTWIT MAJOR TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING OF THE FOOTPATH FORUM
HELD ON 9th APRIL 2018

Present: Councillors: Mrs J Norman (Chair)
G Morgan
D Foster
D Powell
E Williams

Mr G Teague – Public Rights of Way Officer VOGC
Mr K Kennet – U3A Representative
Mr G Roberts – Llantwit Major History Society

Apologies: Mr P Lock - Glamorgan Heritage Coast
Mr M Lewis - NFU
Mr P Lane – Vale of Glamorgan Ramblers

To receive report of previous meeting held on 2nd October 2017

Footpath Forum members had previously been circulated with a copy of the report from the Footpath Forum meeting held on 2nd October 2017. Noted.

Update from Rights of Way Officer

Mr G Teague circulated a maintenance report map to members. Mr Teague confirmed that recent work has taken place in Gileston and Monknash but nothing substantial in Llantwit Major of late. Mr Teague confirmed that a request has been made to extend the handrail on steps leading up to cliff behind the Lifeguard Hut at Col-Huw Point.

Mr Teague continued to inform the committee that the grant which they have received in last few years will not be continued. Subsequently, this will make budget tight for maintenance in the Vale of Glamorgan.

Members Report

Councillor Powell reported 4 dangerous stiles on footpaths 30, 31 and 47.

Recommended: Councillor Powell to email Mr Teague the problem areas so they can be added to the maintenance list.

The Town Clerk reported that a wall needs work at Col-Huw Point.

Recommended: Member of staff at the Town Council to email Mr Teague the problem area

To discuss Footpath invitation to neighbouring Community Councils

Members discussed inviting neighbouring Community Councils to the Footpath Forum Meeting. Members agreed it was a good idea and suggested to invite Llanmaes, St Donats and St Athan.

Recommended: A letter be written to Llanmaes, St Donats and St Athan Community Councils to invite them to the next Footpath Forum Meeting.

Further Recommended: Mr Teague to update map to include these surrounding areas.

To receive verbal updated regarding footpath along Mill Road and possible Definitive Map Modification Order

Committee members discussed the application form (AP03). Mr Teague suggested he can meet with the Town Council to go through the application form.

Recommended: Administrative Assistant to email Mr Teague to arrange meeting to go through the application form.

Mr Teague informed the group that more is needed than the 563 signatures on the petition that the Town Council previous collated. A bigger picture needs to be created. i.e. collecting information from individuals that use the path – how often do they use it? What for? How long have they been using it etc.

Date of next meeting: Suggested Monday 2nd July 2018, 6.30pm in the Heritage Centre, Town Hall.
To be confirmed at the AGM.