

# **TWINBERROW FOUNDATION**

**(Registered Charity No 301524)**

MINUTES of the PROCEEDINGS of the MEETING of the TWINBERROW FOUNDATION held in the Methodist Church Rooms, Castle Street, Dursley, which commenced at 8.25 pm on Tuesday the 1st day of April 2014.

## **PRESENT**

Town Councillors: J Ball (Chair), J Bird, S Creswick, F Firth, T Frankau, M Laybourne, V Harding, B Marsh, C Nelmes, A Stennett and R Blackwell-Whitehead.

Officers: Mrs H Bojaniwska, Clerk to the Trustee and Mrs S Ginn, Clerk's Assistant.

### 1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors N Grecian, M Nicholson and L Patrick.

### 2. Minutes of the Twinberrow Foundation Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> January, 2014

The Minutes of the Twinberrow Foundation Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2014, having been circulated among the members were taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record of the proceedings at that Meeting.

### 3. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were received.

### 4. It was noted that:

- (i) A letter of thanks had been received and circulated to members, from the organisers of the Dursley Dozen athletics event held on 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2014 and the contents noted.
- (ii) A litter pick of Twinberrow Wood was held on 15<sup>th</sup> March and several sacks of refuse were collected, including a number of bags of discarded dog waste.

The Clerk expressed disappointment that only two Councillors had attended the litter pick and added that she could not justify the waste

of staff time if future Councillor turn-out is as poor. The Clerk's comments were noted.

- (iii) The bottle digging operation had been successfully completed, the site satisfactorily restored and trees planted. Details of the findings and a report by the organisers had been emailed to members prior to the meeting. The Clerk advised that a collection of bottles had been donated and were on view in Jacob's House should anyone wish to see them. IT WAS AGREED to offer the collection to the Heritage Centre; any unwanted items would then be offered to the Museum in Stroud.
- (iv) It was noted that the Foundation's public liability insurance is due for renewal on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2014. The 2013/14 premium was £283, but the Foundation had not yet been notified of this year's premium.

#### 5. Dog Waste Bin

Arising from the January meeting and a request from the Vale Vision Sculpture & Play Trail Working Group to the Trustees to consider providing a dog waste bin at the entrance to the wood and in light of the results of the recent litter pick mentioned above, details and cost of providing a dog waste bin had been circulated to members. It was noted that the Foundation would have to provide the bin, but the District Council had agreed to empty it at no cost to the Foundation. A suitable location had been found whilst undertaking the litter pick.

After due discussion, IT WAS AGREED to purchase and install a dog waste bin near the entrance to the Sculpture Trail.

#### 6. Lantern Trail

The Clerk explained that Dursley Welcomes Walkers has designed a new walking trail called 'the Lantern Trail' a section of which will run through Twinberrow Wood. Permission was requested to waymark the relevant section of the trail running through Twinberrow Wood and IT WAS AGREED.

#### 7. Any other urgent business

Councillor Harding advised that she has been waymarking the permissive bridleway in the wood with the assistance of one of the Foundation's contractors who is concerned that he has received no instruction from the Woodland Manager to undertake any of the usual management works in the wood for some considerable time. IT WAS AGREED to pursue the matter with the Woodland Manager.

8. Date of the next Meeting

It was noted that the next scheduled meeting of the Twinberrow Foundation will be held immediately following the Town Council meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2014.

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm.

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Chairman

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Date