

Rodington Pathways Partnership Meeting 12.01.2022

Present

Tom Currie (Chair) Brian Gaskin (Secretary)
Andrew Careless (T&W Senior RoW Officer)
John Seales Steve Lowe
David and Sue Brown Duncan Maidens

Apologies

Robin and Eileen Greenaway
Denise Davies
Sandy Walker

1. Notes and actions

- a) Andrew's 2 new assistants started the previous Monday, allowing new targets to be set for all the actions promised (see priority list, dated 10.11.21). Signposts are to be positioned by the end of February, gates installed by end of January.
- b) Andrew Careless, Tom Currie and Brian Gaskin and any others interested will do the Longwood walk on Wednesday 19th January at 13.30 with a view to sending an enforcement letter. The route through Old Manor Cottage will also be checked at the same time. Local residents have also complained about these routes.
- c) Leaflets illustrating local walks. All members of the group have been asked to contribute material for their publication online and eventually in print using John Seales' PDF format (example attached) by the end of February. Brian Gaskin suggested it might be more fruitful to do this in groups to increase the range of knowledge available on each route. Photos need to be taken at each point where the route needs clarification. Tom Hayek will hopefully be able to provide the benefit of his extensive knowledge of flora, fauna and fungi at some stage.

2. Report from Andrew Careless, Senior Rights of Way Officer

- a) The BOAT application DMMO/2007/0001 - Somerwood Stud Farm, Rodington, Telford, SY4 4RF will be considered by T&W to determine if the route, which has no status currently, should be a **Byway Open to All Traffic**, a **Right of Way** or a **Restricted Right of Way** according to the evidence submitted. Local residents will have to check their deeds to see if they address the right to park in the rear of their properties. Private access for vehicles may be allowed but probably not public access. Any planning applications that imply commercial use will need to be carefully monitored and will be subject to planning control.

b) The application for the Rodenhurst DMMO should be completed in the next 2 or 3 months. This timescale allows the legal process to commence, notification to the public, followed by public consultation. The proposed DMMO for R3, R6, R7 and the deletion of R8 should be made at the same time.

c) The application for the Old Smithy should be started by mid Feb or March.

Action: On site meeting to be arranged with the landowner to consider alternative route.

3. Working party

With the tools now delivered, a date was set for the first clearance of routes: March 5th on R3 R7. All volunteers to assemble at RVH at 1pm Sat, 5.3.22. Priorities agreed.