

## MINUTES OF THE UPPER USK VALLEY MEETING 3rd OCTOBER AT THE SHOEMAKERS ARMS, PENTREBACH.

PRESENT: Christopher Fry (CS), Sharon Millar (SMi), Roos Geraedts (RG), Dave Howells (DH), Nikki Alderslade (NA), Barry Alderslade (BA), Malcolm Liddell (ML), Hugh Macmillan (HM), Linda Wickham (LW),

WELCOME: SMi welcomed those present and said it was nice to see so many.

APOLOGIES: Sandra Thomas (ST), Sian Miller (SM), David Blazer (DB), Julia Blazer (JB), Peter Willis.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING/MATTERS ARISING: CS requested that it be recorded that he was present at the last meeting.

LITTER PICK AT THE USK RESERVOIR: Welsh Water will collect the rubbish bags. We will meet at the car park where the plaque is. NA has posted this as an event on Facebook. This is a UUV event so we need to get as many people as possible to participate. Angharad Loveluck has YFC contact that might be useful. NA has also emailed potential members on this to say we have an event.

### SENNYBRIDGE TOILETS:

Opening Rota: Volunteers for weekends are needed as we have lost some people recently. It was agreed that the following people would cover:

Sat AM - LW

Sat PM - DH

Sun AM -RG, HM

Backup - ML

Project Update: SMi and JB have met with the architect. He is putting together a Building Control project and will then speak to Building Control. Andrew Billingsly will meet on site for heating and lighting at no cost to us. A structural engineer is lined up. There should be a buildings package in the next couple of weeks.

Constitution and Asset Transfer: Do we want to own the building outright as a group or on a lease basis? NA will email an outline of the options after the meeting. SM will meet with PAAVO on October 11th re. charitable status with a view to omitting 'tourism' reference. JB has had an indication from the National Lottery that they will provide funding. SMi suggested an extra meeting before 7th November to vote on this. NA suggested that we indicate choice of option by email and give feedback by 17th October. The transfer can take up to six months. The building has a covenant on it to remain as a public toilet.

RURAL FUTURES: They will be holding a community event at the old Spar shop in Sennybridge. next Friday. Members of UUV were urged to turn up and support this.

FUTURE PROJECTS: The Dwr Cymru Project, Making Time For Nature, was discussed after being introduced by ML who will send a document to the UUV group.

MEMBERSHIP. ISSUES: None..

A.O.B:

LW endured about the amount raised at the recent Macmillan Coffee event in Trecastle. DH said it was about £600 to £700 .

The ultra marathon runners would still like a connection with us.

NEXT MEETING: 7th November at The Tanners Arms, Defynnog at 6.30 pm.