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SWANPOOL LOCAL NATURE RESERVE

Minutes of the Swanpool Management Forum Meeting held on Tuesday 8th March 2005, 10.00am at Falmouth Marine School

Present: Allan Lester - Swanpool & Gyllyngvase Residents Association
 Guy Doncaster - BTCV
 Andy Bates - Falmouth Model Boat Club
 Peter Lochrie - Swanpool lessee
 Toby Field - Falmouth Marine School
 Frances Keeton - Volunteer working on People's Places scheme
 Martin Woodley - Carrick District Council
 Guests - work experience students from Falmouth Marine School
 Lyndsey, Luke and Ellie.

1. **Apologies:** Martin Rule - Environment Agency

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2.	<p>Minutes of Last Meeting (22nd February 2005) & Matters Arising: AL welcomed three work experience students to the meeting and explained what the Forum was due to discuss at the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GD confirmed that the Interpretation Board text has been finalised and the boards are nearing completion. • PL requested that the issue of enhancement works to the southern car park area etc be discussed in more detail at a later date as there are serious implications and issues such as securing benches etc from vandals, access to areas of Japanese Knotweed, allowing for grass cutting etc. See item later in these minutes. • The granite blocks on the car park are being stored by a local resident for some individual sea defence works. • The car recently abandoned partly in the pool by joyriders has now been removed. 	
3.	<p>People's Places Scheme Funding Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GD confirmed that the level of spend on the scheme has been low so far causing some concern generally with the main funding body. (£770 of £8,000 spent so far). • It was anticipated that the BTCV would play a mentoring/advisory role in the scheme with the programme being led by the Forum. However, experience so far has been that the BTCV has lead and managed the work programme. Following discussions with the main funding body it has been agreed that the overall finances can be remodelled with a 'management charge' being introduced to 	

	<p>cover the BTCV costs. Funding will be vired from the training and equipment budgets as BTCV have provided these elements anyway. The survey budget has been boosted by 'in kind' support from FMS. The overall funding package can be rearranged to meet the operational costs of the project. This was agreed by Forum members.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Several invoices are about to be issued ie. Graphic Designer costs etc. • The Swanpool web site (www.swanpool.org.uk) is now up and running. A paper copy of the home page was circulated for info. • GD will be briefing the FMS students after this meeting to run through the PP project and the operation of the Forum. 	GD
4.	<p>Launch Event update - 16th March 2005</p> <p>a) <u>Information Boards:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The text has been amended, the logos organised and high quality laminate will be used to lengthen lifetime of new boards. • AB offered to remove existing screw fixings from panels to allow installation of new boards and covers. He will acquire screws and filler etc to allow new vandal proof fixing. Close liaison with GD to ensure all completed for launch. <p>b) <u>Swan Raft:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The raft is nearing completion. Fixing will be via 2 eyebolts with 2 anchor weights on chains for stability. (Designers have liased with MR & BT). • AB has undertaken survey of potential positions to define length of chain mooring etc. The position has been agreed for the Silverdale Road end of the pool close to the reeds and previous nesting sites. • EN has now granted consent for the siting of the raft but only from Wednesday. However, preparations will be essential to ensure that everything runs smoothly on the day. • Need dummy runs on Monday 14th & Tuesday 15th to clarify and decide launch positions, delivery of raft, access to water and final positioning. GD confirmed that BTCV volunteers will be on site on Tuesday 15th to litter pick and tidy up the site. They will be available to assist with raft preparations. • TF will confirm if FMS trailer can be used as transport. If not AB may have access to low loader trailer. This needs to be confirmed and GD advised ASAP. • Launch point needs to be agreed and how raft can be positioned on pool (paddled, towed by safety boat - PL). GD needs to be advised of this ASAP. • GD can supervise on Tuesday & Wednesday. TF to supervise on Monday. GD & TF to liase. <p>c) <u>Guided Walk:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As BT & MR were not at the meeting GD will contact them to arrange details for walk etc. 	<p>AB</p> <p>GD</p> <p>TF</p> <p>GD</p> <p>GD/TF</p> <p>GD</p>

	<p>ii) <u>Enhancement works to car park:</u> it was agreed that this issue should be progressed initially with a site meeting to assess the current character and appearance of the site and to collate a list of potential improvements for discussion. This then may form part of a regeneration package to attract additional funding. MW agreed to liase with the Regeneration Officers at Carrick for further advice in due course.</p> <p>iii) <u>Goldenbank Development:</u> AL reported that lights have been on in some of the completed houses in phase III and works have commenced in the adjoining field. MW agreed to check with Development Services Enforcement/Conditions Monitoring to see if any conditions on approvals have been breached etc. There could be issues of the provision of storm water defences to safeguard Swanpool prior to the occupation of the dwellings.</p> <p>iv) <u>Web Site development:</u> FK asked Forum members for any information that should be posted on the new web site. This should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The information on the interpretation boards • Events schedule for this year • Organisations represented on the Forum • A discussion board - could be very useful for feedback and consultations. • Web site links • Information on disposal of waste etc. including garden waste. 	<p>ALL</p> <p>MW</p> <p>MW</p>
7.	<p>Date, time and venue of next meeting</p> <p>Tuesday 19th April 2005, 10.00am at Falmouth Green Centre.</p> <p>Meeting to be followed by a site meeting to assess the car park area</p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p>