

S W A N P O O L LOCAL NATURE RESERVE

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Minutes of the Swanpool Management Forum Meeting held on Wednesday 12 March at 10.00am at The Information Centre, Swanpool, Falmouth

Present: Peter Lochrie, Swanpool Lessee

Stacey Mankee, Community Planning - Carrick District Council

Andrew Bates, Falmouth Model Boat Club Guy Doncaster, Falmouth Green Centre

Malcolm Brain, (Chairman)

Martin Rule, Management Plan Consultant

1. Apologies: None

2	Update:	Action
	PL announced the installation of the Swan Island. He explained that the swans have now nested and once vegetation grows, the swans should be content.	
	Sarah Kerkin from the Regeneration Team will be attending the meetings on behalf of Carrick. The Forum was pleased that Sarah was going to be part of the Forum and welcomed her expertise.	
3	Swanpool Management Action Plan:	
	Martin Rule has been appointed to carry out the Management Plan. MR's Plan will show achievable goals for each year. MR would like a copy of the previous Management Plan e-mailed to him. MR advised that a draft copy of the	SM
	Management Plan should be available for discussion at the next meeting.	MR
4	Website:	
	It was agreed to contract Rob Follett from Computer Services to spend 2 hours per month updating Swanpool's website. PL to send information that the Forum would like to see on their website electronically to Rob. Sarah Kerkin to send copies of the minutes to Rob. SM to send copies of the minutes since 2005 to Rob at sales@rofo.co.uk	SK

	AB asked whether the amount of hits could be recorded. GD to speak to Rob Follett. AB felt this was a great way of promoting and expanding awareness of Swanpool.	GD
5	Finance:	
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	BTCV had invoiced the Forum for a training event that had been organised. There was some confusion over the invoice as PL was not aware that they would be charged. However, the Forum agreed to pay the invoice from the funding that they have been granted. Unfortunately due to member's circumstances, they were unable to attend the training.	
	MR explained that the meeting that was scheduled for 13 March had been postponed due to poor weather conditions. The bird/tree identification training event will now be held on Thursday 15 May 2008 . It was decided that in future, MR will organise events to enable the Forum to have more control.	
	AB felt that BTCV should have promoted the event locally.	
5	Fun Day:	
	It was agreed that the fun day would be held on Saturday 5 July . PL & GD to lead on the task and report back to the next meeting. It was noted that Falmouth Town Council will contribute £500.00 to the fun day.	GD & PL
6	AGM	
	The Forum's AGM will take place on Wednesday 23 April at 10.00 am. The AGM will be followed by the Forum meeting. MB to bring the financial report to the meeting	МВ
7	General Update:	
	Litter: It was suggested by AB to have a 'clean up' day around the pool as the litter in recent weeks has been high. GD announced that it was clean Cornwall day on 12 April. It was agreed that the 'clean up' day will be held on Saturday 12 April at 11.00 am – 1.00 pm. The event is to be advertised on the Forum's website. MR suggested that they combine the litter picking with bird watching to ensue a good turnout. It was agreed for PL to buy 5 pickers, bags and gloves in preparation for this event.	PL
	Speed Humps: It was noted that the Forum was pleased to see traffic slowing in the surrounding area due to speed humps.	
	AB stated that the main reason for implementation was for children's safety. Local residents in Malborough were concerned that traffic was building up in that area to avoid the speed humps.	

8 Any Other Business

Path Edge:

AB had sent e-mails and photographs of the path edge to Jonathan Haskins of Carrick for the last 4 years. He explained that it is in a poor state of repair and he was concerned of the health and safety of the area. SM to contact Jonathan Haskins.

SM

Grill:

PL advised the Forum that the grill had been fitted although he needs to speak to Carrick as some modifications need to be made.

 PL

Guy Doncaster:

GD announced his departure from the Forum. Unfortunately due to other commitments his time is limited. GD is prepared to help PL with the organisation of the fun day and would still like a slight input into the Forum.

To try and increase the numbers of attendees, the Forum recommended that the Wildlife Trust send a representative to future meetings. MB to contact Jason Burt to ask whether he can attend. If he is unable to attend, the Forum suggests he organises a representative.

9 Date, Time & Venue of Next Meeting

Date: Wednesday 23 April at 10.00am **Venue:** The Meeting Room at Swanpool