Dereham WaW Committee Meeting : 9 August 2019

1 1.1	Minutes and matters arising from the meeting on 28 June 2019 Minutes had been circulated and a 'friendly version' published on the website. The minutes were approved.
1.2	Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda. Quiz
	The quiz has been finalised. Copies distributed for committee members to sell.
	It was agreed not to send an email version to our contacts. It was felt this might reduce the return if people chose to use the free email quiz, only paying £1 if submitting a completed one, rather than buying a paper copy.
2	Website and IT
2.1 2.2	Map and description of paths: no further action to date Website issues: Webmaster has been unable to work on the website recently, but will be able to next week. He agreed to put the flyers for the Find the Deer Event and Clare Walk this afternoon as a priority.
2.3	Yaxham Waters (82.3): Chairman has emailed Yaxham Waters to let them know we have put their link on our website, and asking if they will reciprocate. No response yet, despite a reminder a few days ago. Need to follow up.
2.4	Privacy Policy: amendments have been made to the introductory part, which were agreed to.
3 3.1	Finance <u>Update and regular outgoings</u> : Treasurer reported that we had cash in the bank (as per bank statement of 17^{th} July 2019) of £984.66, less Dereham Society gift of £856.78 = £127.88.
	Income yet to be banked: £28 for Town Walk (8 people at £5 a head, minus £12 for refreshments). £16 for Short Walks (£2 for June, £14 for August) £1 for sale of Town Walk leaflet
	Total income: £172.88
	Expected outgoings to the end of the financial year: £100 subscription to WAW National due January 2020 Website costs £30 due March 2020 £79.80 to Zurich for insurance due April 1 st 2020
3.2	Reserve: the aim is to keep a reserve of £100.
4	Publicity
4.1	Contact list: The list currently stood at 99 emails plus 4 by phone.
4.2 4.3	<u>aboutDereham (AD)</u> : No change <u>Press releases</u> : none issued recently. Chairman may contact Dereham Times regarding the Find the Deer event.
5 5.1	Future work and plans Walk pack reprint:
	 Funding bids to One Stop Shop and Co-Op Community Fund have both been submitted. Tim has looked into creating a separate bank account for Just Giving and
	found it to be a more complicated procedure than expected.
5.2	Leaflet: ready for distribution. 500 copies to be home printed for distribution to all the shops and cafes that stocked our Walk Packs.
5.3 5.4	<u>The Neatherd</u> : on hold <u>Video</u> : no change
5.5	Short/health walks: no change

6	Events programme Debrief
6.1	<u>2 August (Fri) Short Walk</u> : There had been more walkers than in July – 10 altogether. One walker turned up in sandals, and some walkers complained that the walk was going past where they lived, which meant they could have joined the walk there rather than Queen Mother's Garden. There was some discussion as to whether more details of the proposed walks should appear on the posters, plus a warning that footpaths will be used and walking shoes are advisable. It was decided not to do this, but to give an introductory talk at the beginning of each walk.
6.2	28 July (Sun) Town Walk – the walk had gone well and enjoyed by those participating. The visit to the Explosives Store was an interesting addition. The number in the group felt about right, if there had been more people, the group might have been unwieldy and hard for some to hear as there was no pa system. There was a discussion about the risks of an event not going ahead if key people were unable to attend and it was agreed that this is inevitable in a small organisation. No action to be taken apart from maintaining awareness. It was agreed that an offer of £25 would be made to DHT for use of the museum. This is less than they could charge according to their charging policy, but would mean that DWaW would break even rather than make a loss.
6.3	<u>17 August (Sat)</u> Find the Deer – meeting at 11am to set up the event. We have been lent a folding table. No bookings yet, but leaflets will be distributed at playgrounds round Dereham on the Saturday beforehand.
6.4 6.5	 <u>26 August (Mon)</u> Clare walk: 4 bookings so far. <u>6 Sept (Fri) Short Walk</u> – Chairman will send a reminder to our contact list. Leaflets will be handed out in the town a week beforehand (then 4 October, 1 November, 6 December).
6.6	<u>29 September (Sun)</u> Garden Party walk: walk to be decided.
6.7	<u>6 October (Sun)</u> : Contacted MNR, to follow up.
6.8 6.9	<u>1 January 2020 (Wed)</u> : walk to be decided. <u>2019/20 Paston 600 Project</u> : no change.
6.10	<u>Town Walk 2</u> : industrial heritage walk. Need to check how much various people want to be involved.
7 7.1	Footpath issues <u>Footpath work</u> : Not much work done recently due to holidays and sickness. Some work on FP 14 but not competed due to the hedge trimmer breaking down. A new one has been purchased and work on the FP will be completed in the near future. The Ramblers have done some work on RBs 30 and 31, and also some work across Rush Meadow. It was reported that the County has recently done some work from the sewage works to the board walk. The path is overgrown from the end of the boardwalk up to FP 18 and Sandy Lane. It is likely that FP 25 and RB 28 will also require attention.
7.2	Dereham Town Council: The Heritage and Open Spaces Committee will take place on 27 August. Footpath Warden will submit the usual report.
7.3	<u>NCC</u> : No change on Restricted Byway signage, the legal width of RB33/28 or FP14a boardwalk. Work has been done in some places but not others. Chairman will chase.
7.4	<u>BDC</u> : Our local Breckland Councillor seemed to promise some action on the fly tipping just off FP14, but no date was given. Need to check if the rubbish has been removed.
8 8.1	Walkers are Welcome regional Norfolk: Norfolk meeting, no change

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8.2	Suffolk Alliance: notes of the 11 July meeting had been circulated. Next meeting 18 September, Shotley.
9 9.1 9.2	Walkers are Welcome national <u>Newsletter</u> : July issued had been circulated. <u>AGT</u> : 11-13 October, Kirkby Stephen. Two members are attending. All three Suffolk WaW towns are attending. Chairman has chased Cromer and Aylsham, but no response yet.
10	Next meeting 0900, Friday 13 September 2019, at Dereham Town Council offices.