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Mid-Lincolnshire Local Access Forum Meeting

A meeting of the Mid-Lincolnshire Local Access Forum will be held on **Tuesday, 19 July 2016 at 6.00 pm** in **Meeting Room, Huttoft Village Hall, Sutton Road, Huttoft, nr Alford, Lincs LN13 9RG** for the transaction of the business set out on the attached Agenda.

Yours sincerely

Tony McArdle
Chief Executive

Membership of the Mid-Lincolnshire Local Access Forum

Chris Padley, (Users of Local Rights of Way) (Chairman)
Dr Chris Allison, (Users of Local Rights of Way) (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor Denis Colin Hoyes MBE, (Lincolnshire County Council)
Councillor Daniel McNally, (Lincolnshire County Council)
Councillor Iain Colquhoun, (North East Lincolnshire Council)
Sandra Harrison, (Landowners)
Ray Shipley, (Landowners)
Sheila Brookes, (Users of Local Rights of Way)
Deborah North, (Users of Local Rights of Way)
Colin Smith, (Users of Local Rights of Way)
Richard Graham, (Other Interests)
David Mills, (Other Interests)
Katherine Mills, (Other Interests)
3 Vacancies (Land Owners)
2 Vacancies (Other Interests)

**MID-LINCOLNSHIRE LOCAL ACCESS FORUM AGENDA
TUESDAY, 19 JULY 2016**

Item	Title	Report Reference
1	Election of Chairman for 2016/17	
2	Election of Vice-Chairman for 206/16	
3	Declarations of Members' Interests	
4	Minutes of the previous meeting of the Mid Lincolnshire Local Access Forum held on 26 April 2016	(Pages 7 - 14)
5	Update of Action Taken on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting (if not already on the agenda)	
5a	Minute 46 (a) - Obstruction of Route from Saltfleet Paradise (Blackridge) to Seaview Access <i>(Chris Miller, Countryside Services Team Leader, will provide a verbal update of the latest situation)</i>	(Verbal Report)
5b	Minute 46(d) - Lost Ways Update <i>(A report by Colin Smith in connection with the latest situation of Lost Ways)</i>	(Pages 15 - 16)
6	Natural England Local Access Forum Annual Review Form for 2015/16 <i>(Members are requested to give consideration to the questions posed in the email sent to you on 21 June 2016 and to be prepared to respond at the meeting. Details of the questions circulated are as follows:-</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>LAF achievements/making a difference? Please give examples to illustrate how your LAF has improved public access to land for the purpose of open air recreation and the enjoyment of the area</i> • <i>Do you think your LAF has made a difference to public access in your area via its discussions and actions?</i> • <i>What activity did your LAF undertake to help record historical PROW before 2026?</i> • <i>What are your top priorities for the year ahead?</i> • <i>Do you foresee any issues or challenges that may affect your LAFs operation and/or its ability to deliver improvements to public access in the coming year?</i> • <i>Is there any particular support or training that you need to deliver your priorities or work programme for next year?</i> • <i>Summarise any feedback received from section 94(4) bodies)</i> 	(Verbal Report)

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| 7 | <p>Past Chairman's Report
 <i>(Chris Padley will give a verbal report of his year in office for 2015/16)</i></p> | (Verbal Report) |
| 8 | <p>Danger from Eroded Sides of Tarmac on Carriageways
 <i>(Item brought to the Forum by the Chairman. The background is that many country roads now have deep fissures at the sides of the tarmac. Where there is no footway, and overgrown verge, this is increasingly presenting a hazard for walkers. I am wondering how aware the authorities are of this? It is also one of many issues which raise a question over our contact with Lincolnshire County Council following the transfer (yet again) of its Rights of Way (RoW) team out of highways, since we have an interest in ordinary roads. It also occurs to me that I do not actually know how North Lincs interfaces between its RoW function and other highway authority functions, and I should)</i></p> | (Verbal Report) |
| 9 | <p>Priority 3 Paths with Kirkby on Bain 171 as Example
 <i>(Item raised by the Chairman to consider how Lincolnshire County Council's policy of not signposting or clearing priority 3 paths where there is a blockage is working in practice, and to consider the case of Kirkby on Bain footpath No. 171 which exemplifies some of the issues arising from the policy)</i></p> | (Pages 17 - 18) |
| 10 | <p>Adding sections of the Wolds' Way to the Definitive Rights of Way Map
 <i>(This is an issue which has been raised by Sheila Brookes and Chris Padley will expand further on this matter at the meeting)</i></p> | (Verbal Report) |
| 11 | <p>Joint Annual Report 2015/16
 <i>(Chris Miller will give a verbal report on activities undertaken by the County Council on Public Rights of Way matters in 2015/16 at the meeting)</i></p> | (Verbal Report) |
| 12 | <p>Countryside For All
 <i>(A report by John Laws, a member of the South Lincs Local Access Forum)</i></p> | (Pages 19 - 20) |
| 13 | <p>Lincolnshire County Council Countryside Access and Rights of Way Improvement Plan (ROWIP)
 <i>(Chris Miller will give a verbal report on the latest situation in connection with the County Council's ROWIP)</i></p> | (Verbal Report) |
| 14 | <p>North East Lincolnshire Countryside and Rights of Way Improvement Plan</p> | (To Follow) |
| 15 | <p>Lincolnshire County Council Progress of Definitive Map Modification Orders
 <i>(A report by Chris Miller, Team Leader, Countryside Services, in connection with the latest situation of these Orders)</i></p> | (Pages 21 - 28) |
| 16 | <p>North East Lincolnshire Council Progress of Definitive Map Modification Orders</p> | (To Follow) |

- 17 **Lincolnshire County Council Progress of Public Path Orders**
 (A report by Chris Miller, Countryside Services Team Leader, in connection with the latest update of these Orders) (Pages 29 - 30)
- 18 **North East Lincolnshire Council Progress of Public Path Orders** (To Follow)
- 19 **Date and Time of the Next Meeting**

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Follow up to Lost Ways Report for LAF meeting on 19th July 2016

1. Training Courses.

As expected we met Phil Wadey at the Open Spaces AGM in London and asked him about future training courses. He explained that all courses were fully booked by Ramblers and BHS and nothing is planned until later this year. This is partly because he is still finalising the second edition of his book. Kate Ashbrook of OSS and Ramblers thought that a course aimed at Ramblers and others may then be possible in the East Midlands. Miriam and I will write to Janet Davis at Ramblers HQ who is organising the courses. We will formally request that a course be held in East Midlands. Note, numbers on each course are limited to about 30.

The British Horse Society and The Ramblers have joined forces to run 'Restoring the Record' training courses across England. The aim of the training events is to enthuse, enable and empower rights of way researchers to make definitive map modification order applications to ensure that routes that would be extinguished in 2026 are saved from the cut off date.

The day will concentrate on identifying routes, the key sources of evidence of historic ways, where that information is located, what it can tell us, and how a systematic research method is the best way forward. For further details contact the BHS Access Team, 02476 850 515 / access@bhs.org.uk

Once a date and venue for a new course is known Miriam will re-contact those people who have shown an interest in attending.

2. ORPAs.

Phil also emphasised that it is important to record all known ORPAs and then check whether they are on the List of Streets. The List of Streets should be available through the County Council.

Since ORPAs are most likely to be shown on OS Explorer maps I believe that this is a job that can easily be done by anyone with modern maps, without the need to go to Archives.

Is anyone interested in doing some of this work?

3. 'Missing Links' in Kesteven

A few links from the data base have been checked but with no definite results. Much more work needs to be done, particularly in the Sleaford area.

4. The chairmanship of the South Lincs and Rutland LAF 'Lost Ways Sub Committee has now changed from John Law to Alec Hill.

Colin Smith.

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