

COUNTRYSIDE FOR ALL REPORT

REPORT FOR THE MID-LINCOLNSHIRE AND SOUTH LINCOLNSHIRE AND RUTLAND LOCAL ACCESS FORUM MEETINGS ON 23 AND 24 OCTOBER 2018

1. COUNTRYSIDE FOR ALL ROUTES

1.1. Lincolnshire

Printtalk, the firm we have been using for design, artwork and printing, which was also used by Lincolnshire County Council is now focusing on a different area of work. They informed us of this after numerous phone calls and emails chasing up the progress of our leaflets. We had 5 route leaflets with them for design, artwork and printing. In addition they had provided us with a quote for another leaflet which we received funding to produce.

Printtalk also provided us with a quote for updating and printing 1000 copies of 12 existing route leaflets. This quote we included in the Lottery funding bid which we won. This has caused the problem of trying to find another printer that will do the same work for us, at the price we were quoted previously. Fortunately DPS Digital has agreed to produce the work for the same price. We requested Printtalk to send the original artwork and design files of all the Countryside For All routes to both County Councils, to ensure we had a permanent record available. We also needed to send DPS Digital the design files to modify. Printtalk were only able to find a small number of design files for the leaflets and informed us that they had outsourced the design and artwork for some of the leaflets. They also informed us that the Company they had outsourced the design work too, had stopped trading. We have managed to find out that this outsourced business had merged with another company. We were able to get some of the original artwork from this Company.

As the modifications to the 12 leaflets was from Lottery funding, we have focussed on getting this job completed. When this is completed we will discuss with DPS Digital, to see if they can produce the 6 new leaflets for the price quoted by Printtalk.

Mareham Pastures restricted path widths, through weed encroachment is being addressed. Some work is planned to take place in the winter to address some of the puddling. The next top dressing application to the paths is still a couple of years away.

The issues we have had with Printtalk, have meant that we have not been able to work on doing anymore to attract sponsors for the route leaflets.

1.2. Rutland

The stock of folders for the Rutland route leaflets will need replenishing shortly.

Anglian Water have stated that they are keen to map out the rest of Rutland Water and will pay for the design and printing of more of the Rutland Water Countryside For All leaflets.

2. DEMENTIA FRIENDLY WALKS – RUTLAND

We are still looking for volunteers for the Dementia Friendly Walk leader courses.

3. FUNDING BIDS

We have no outstanding funding bids but will be shortly looking for funding for the 2019 Rutland Choice Unlimited event and the walk leaflet folders. Our options here are Tesco Bags of Help, the Nineveh Trust and the new Healthy Rutland Grant scheme.

Depending on the outcome of the meetings with the Lincolnshire Choice Unlimited working group we may apply for funding to the Big Lottery, Awards For All grant for three Choice Unlimited events in Lincolnshire.

4. OTHER SPONSORSHIP DEALS

A site meeting has been held at the Mount RDA with Irwin Mitchell, Mount RDA and ourselves. Agreement has been reached on the design, artwork and printing of the Mount RDA leaflets. The leaflets will be available for the 2019 Choice Unlimited events.

The offer to all other Lincolnshire RDAs by Irwin Mitchell has been sent out to the Lincolnshire RDA Chair.

5. CHOICE UNLIMITED EVENTS

5.1. Rutland

The event will have taken place 16th October. A verbal update will be provided at the LAF meeting. As previously stated we have had to move to smaller accommodation due to the change in lease on the Active Rutland Hub by Rutland County Council. The 2018 venue is approximately 300 sq. mts. whereas the Active Rutland Hub is 600 sq. mts. This has meant that the LAF has had to reduce its Rutland display from 24 feet to 6 feet and some exhibitors and activities have not been able to take part. We have been undertaking further discussions with the Rutland Showground to see if there is a possibility of increasing the area for next year and future years. The best option was to have a marquee extension from the pavilion building during the week prior to the Rutland Agricultural Show. The Agricultural Show would also use the marquee. The price for this has now been quoted as £5000 plus VAT. This plus the

£700 for the two buildings seems too expensive. It would seem unlikely that we could attract funding for this. So again we are looking for a different venue for 2019. Discussions are now being held with Oakham School.

ACTION: John Law – Provide an update on the 2018 Rutland Choice Unlimited event

5.2. Lincolnshire

We held a meeting 8th October with members of the working group. It was a disappointing level of attendance but we made some progress on how we will fund and organise future Choice Unlimited events. It was pleasing to see that Active Lincolnshire will work with us on this. **It was very disappointing that Healthwatch Lincolnshire could not provide us with information to help us make the decisions, on prioritising the location where the events be held outside the three in the proposal.**

6. CHANGING PLACES TOILETS

6.1. North Sea Observatory

As yet no further information has been received from Chapel St Leonards Parish Council, to see if they can investigate the possibility of the building currently housing the cafe, to include a changing places toilet when the cafe ceases to trade. We have not chased this up due to workload.

6.2. Rutland Water

Anglian Water have contacted a business to provide them with a quote for Changing Places Toilet for their new cafe at Rutland Water. An update in relation to this will be provided at the LAF meeting.

ACTION: John Law – Provide an update re Changing Places Toilet at Rutland Water

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