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**COUNTRYSIDE ACCESS FORUM FOR WEST SUSSEX**

A meeting of the Countryside Access Forum for West Sussex (CAFWS) will be held at **10.15am on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2010**, in **Washington Village Hall, School Lane, Washington, RH20 4AP**

**A g e n d a**

1. **Apologies and welcome**

2. **Declaration of interests**

Members and officers are invited to make any declarations of personal or prejudicial interests that they may have in relation to items on the agenda and are reminded to make any declarations at any stage during the meeting if it then becomes apparent that this may be required when a particular item or issue is considered.

3. **Minutes** of the Forum meeting 28<sup>th</sup> April 2010 (copy [attached](#))

4. **Actions and matters arising not covered by agenda**

- Minute 5: CAFWS website
- Minute 7: the Cabinet Member for Environment & Economy and the Rights of Way Improvement Plan (a copy of the letter sent to the Chairman by the Cabinet Member is [attached](#))

5. **Urgent matters**

To consider any items not on the agenda which the Chairman agrees should be considered as a matter of urgency due to special circumstances. If any member wishes to raise a matter under this heading they are asked to consult the Chairman or the Secretary before the meeting begins.

6. **High Weald AONB Unit**

To receive a presentation from Matt Pitts, Cultural Landscape Advisor at the High Weald AONB Unit

7. **Higher Level Stewardship – Access benefits**

To receive a presentation from Sue Batson, Natural England

8. **South Downs National Park progress report**

To receive a verbal update on relevant matters relating to the South Downs National Park

9. **Future management of Rights of Way in West Sussex from April 2011**

To receive a verbal update on WSCC's progress on developing a model to manage the entire rights of way network within West Sussex from April 2011

10. **Sub Forums**

To receive a verbal report on the Sub Forums

11. **Current/future strategic developments**

To note the CAFWS response to the following consultations:

- Kilnwood Vale (previously known as West of Bewbush); Crest Nicolson ([attached](#))
- Worthing Core Strategy; Worthing Borough Council ([attached](#))
- Planning for a Natural and Healthy Environment; Natural England (*to follow*)

12. **Current/future consultations**

i) To consider a CAFWS response on the following:

- The England Access Forum
- LTP 3; WSCC (deadline 23 September 2010)

<http://www.bmgresearch.co.uk/westsussex/UploadedFiles/Provisional%20West%20Sussex%20Transport%20Plan.pdf>

ii) Members are asked to note that no response was made to the Natural England Consultation on regulations for making representations and objections to coastal access proposals as the Forum Officer did not receive any comments

Relevant information to the above consultations can be found in the General Report

13. **Forestry Commission Access Group**

To receive an update from the Working Group

14. **General Report**

To note a written report on items of interest to members of the Forum ([attached](#)). **If members have questions in connection with the General Report, please could these be raised with Jane Noble, Forum Officer, prior to the meeting**

15. **Matters for information**

Members may bring to the attention of the Forum any matters that they feel other members should be made aware of

16. **Agenda items for future meetings of the Forum**

To consider agenda items for future meetings:

- Health Walks
- CAFWS website
- Future of Rights of Way in West Sussex
- Rights of Way Improvement Plan

17. **Date of next meeting**

The next meeting of the Forum will be held at 10.15am on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2010. Subsequent meeting dates are as follows:

- 2nd February 2011

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Following the meeting there will be a Forum-members only workshop to discuss rights of way management and other countryside access matters in West Sussex. A paper summarising the issues will be provided for all members.

The workshop will finish at approximately 3:00pm.