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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 27th January 2010**, in the **Richmond Room, Edes House, County Hall, Chichester, PO19 1RQ**

A g e n d a

1. Apologies and welcome

2. Declaration of Interests

Members and officers to declare any personal or prejudicial interests in relation to items on the agenda. Members and officers should also make declarations at any stage during the meeting if it becomes apparent these are required when a particular item or issue is considered. (If in doubt, contact the Forum Secretary before the meeting).

3. Minutes of the Forum meeting 28th October 2009 ([copy attached](#))

4. Actions and matters arising not covered by the agenda

- i) Minute 72: CAFWS website – discussion paper from the Vice-Chairman [attached](#)
- ii) Minute 79: Defra consultation on the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 and Structures on Rights of Way consultation – response [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. South Downs National Park

- i) Rights of Way and Countryside Management – press release from West Sussex County Council dated 24th December 2009 [attached](#)
- ii) The statutory South Downs Local Access Forum and feedback from the meeting to discuss future arrangements held on 22nd January 2010

7. Feedback on the recent meeting with the Forestry Commission

To receive a report and verbal update on the ongoing discussions with the Forestry Commission ([attached](#))

8. **South East Local Access Forum Chairmen and Officers meeting**

To receive a verbal report on the South East Local Access Forum meeting of 26th January 2010

9. **Sub Forums**

To receive the unconfirmed minutes and a verbal update on the 16th December 2009 meeting of the Low Weald Sub Forum ([attached](#))

10. **Current/future strategic developments**

To note the CAFWS response to the Horsham District Council: West of Bewbush Development consultation ([attached](#))

11. **Current/future consultations**

Coastal Access: to receive a verbal update on the Coastal Access Consultation meeting on 21st January 2010 and to consider a response to the Natural England consultation on Coastal Access. The consultation document can be accessed at <http://coastalaccess.dialoguebydesign.net>

All responses to consultations can be viewed at www.westsussex.gov.uk/cafws.

12. **Rights of Way Improvement Plan**

To receive a report on the Sub Forums' work considering projects for the Rights of Way Improvement Plan ([attached](#))

13. **West Sussex County Council and the Local Transport Plan 3**

West Sussex County Council is consulting on the development of the Local Transport Plan 3, which will replace the current transport plan on 1st April 2011. Members are asked to consider and discuss CAFWS's response to the questions in the attached consultation document, and the suggested responses ([attached](#)).

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 the next meeting.

- The High Weald AONB Unit
- The Highways Agency and major road crossings

17. **Date of next meeting**

The next meeting of the Forum will be held at 10.15am on Wednesday 28th April 2010. Subsequent meeting dates are as follows:

- 21st July 2010
- 10th November 2010
- 2nd February 2011

Following the meeting there will be an afternoon workshop for members only to discuss cycling issues starting at 1:15pm.

The proposed programme for the afternoon workshop is as follows:

- Chris Boocock, Sustrans: *the national context and aspirations for cycling*
- Simone Makepeace, West Sussex County Council's Cycling Officer: *Projects in West Sussex and funding arrangements*
- The CAFWS Cycling Working Group: *The role of CAFWS in promoting cycling in West Sussex*