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Sixty-Seventh meeting Devon Countryside Access Forum

Westbank Community Health and Care, Farm House Rise, Exminster EX6 8AT

Monday, 22 April 2024 at 10.00 am

The meeting will be open to the public in accordance with provisions of reg.7 of The Local Access Forums (England) Regulations 2007 (under s 94 and 95 of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000).

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies and welcome
- 2. Declarations of interest
- 3. To approve minutes of meeting held on 22 January 2024 (Pages 1 12)
- 4. Matters arising
 - 4.1 Network Rail, Sandy Lane, Rewe (Pages 13 14)

To note and formally approve letter submitted to Network Rail. To discuss further with Network Rail staff.

4.2 Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans (Pages 15 - 20)

To formally approve the revised Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan position statement, submitted in response to the Devon County Council consultations on the Cullompton and Tiverton LCWIP and Clyst Valley and New Communities LCWIP.

4.3 Lower Brenton Farm planning application

Devon County Council

- 4.4 Sidbury to Sidford cycle route, Devon County Council
- 4.5 Defra response on dog issues
- 4.6 Devon Countryside Access Forum information pack
- 5. Election of Chair and Vice Chair
- 6. Public questions
- 7. Correspondence log April 2024 (Pages 21 26)
- 8. Report on meetings attended by DCAF members
 - 8.1 Otter Estuary. National Nature Reserve opening
- 9. Rights of Way Improvement Plan Review (Pages 27 96)
- 10. To note minutes of the Public Rights of Way Committee held on 7 March 2024 (Pages 97 100)
- 11. Public Rights of Way update
- 12. Current consultations
 - 12.1 A379 bridge (Pages 101 102)

To consider drawing designs for improved accessibility.

- 12.2 Smarter regulation: proposed changes to legislation for electrically assisted pedal cycles. Department for Transport. (Pages 103 108)
- 13. To note and approve responses to consultations and submissions. To note any feedback.
 - 13.1 Exeter Plan, Exeter City Council (Pages 109 110)
 - 13.2 Woodbury Common. Deregistration and exchange of common land. (Pages 111 112)
 - 13.3 Hemyock Common. Review of statutory direction. Natural England. (Pages 113 118)

To note response submitted and Natural England decision.

- 14. Training Day
- 15. Work Plan (Pages 119 120)
- 16. Date of next meeting

Monday, 23 September 2024, venue to be confirmed.

Notice of questions from the public should be submitted in writing four working days before the Forum meeting. At the discretion of the Chair members of the public may be invited to ask a question or make a statement.