

Minutes of the meeting of the LLIMEYS – Friends of the Llanymynech Limeworks Heritage Area held at 7.30 pm on Wednesday, 11 Oct 2017 in the Limeworks Stables, Llanymynech

1. JZ welcomed Glyn Gaskill, Dilys Gaskill, Tony Beardsell, Martin Young, Nick Thursfield, Dickon Faux-Nightingale and Penny Wellman  
Apologies received from Irene Evison, Paddy Martin, Gareth Egarr and Ginny Thurston
2. Minutes from the last meeting held on 17 May 2017 were read and accepted
3. No matters arising other than thanks for the tree planting and for the newsletter articles. DG said that the defibrillator fund now stands at £4800. One has already been installed at the Cross Guns.
4. Finance Statement: GG reported that the balance in the bank stands at £3391. Expenses since last statement detailed below
5. Heritage Area update TB/MY. TB itemised the following incidences of vandalism
  - Wall down in kiln 23 May, 13 June, 26 July, 4 Aug and 14 Aug. Replaced each time except for 14 Aug. Will be replaced when vandalism ceases
  - Metal walkway:- 13 Jun. Removed.. 3 complete cables, 3 turnbuckles, 1 captive end piece
  - 29 Jun. Stay ripped off at Black Bridge
  - 29 Jun. Bricks off top of Savin Kiln and Timber plank (part of hoist)
  - 4 Aug. Row of bricks removed on wicket 3 and 5 grilles removed
  - 14 Aug Shards of brick + metal plate on kiln walkway. Wall down and extra stones down in Hoffmann. .Flue plates pushed back.
  - Paddy reports fence by winding hole awry
  - 17 Aug Truck off rails in Hoffmann. Weld broken/ sleepers displaced through rocking
  - 25 Aug. Another grille loose
  - May Interpretation board on Stables severely damaged by being used for target practice
  - June Additional damage was done to sculpture at Wharf Visitor Centre and to CRT's fence (this has since been replaced)

MY reported that Simon Brown had been working near Black Bridge with his disadvantaged group

#### 6. Vandalism ; Outcomes of meetings

##### With police

In August Kurt met on site with GG, DG and JZ to view the vandalism. He took photographs of the damage. It was suggested that JZ wrote report for Parish Magazine (this appeared in Oct edition). Since then there has been occasional police presence on site. The Police Twitter reports were picked up by the Advertiser and resulted in an article re the problem.

##### With Shaun Burkey

Shaun agreed to find a bricklayer to repair damage to Hoffman (this has now been done) and to restore fence on top of Draw Kilns. He suggested events to bring local youngsters to the site. (see below)

- Interpretation board repair. This has now been arranged and the new one is up. One of the costs against our accounts!

JZ asked for members to investigate costs of CCTV.

7. Car park. GG reported that CRT have now applied for funding for the surfacing of the car park
8. Tunnels ... Kier should be starting the repointing of the interior of the tunnels this week
9. Leaflets....We had a contribution of £450 from the Windfarm Fund. The full cost of 10000 leaflets was £949. The additional money came from our funds. The leaflets have now been delivered and are with JZ.
10. Letter from Mark Blount to PC. Mark had asked the Parish Council for £3000 pa to cover the Council's statutory duties and for the additional non-statutory provision for the Heritage Area. It was felt that the Llimeys already provided much of this and JZ was asked to provide a report to the PC justifying the offer of a lower amount
11. Heritage Open Day Report. TB and MY reported that there were enough participants on the Saturday to make it worthwhile even though the weather was poor. Sunday saw a steady stream of visitors
12. Future events.
 

Bat walk 5.40 pm 14 Oct. Penny Wellman has organised this following SB's suggestion for more events targeting youngsters. She already has 30-50 possible participants. The Wharf Visitor Centre has offered a free BBQ for under-16s starting at 4.30
13. Any other business
 

JZ mentioned that the next cycle of coppicing should take place this winter. She will contact GE

DG said that Kier had asked for suggestions from PC for opportunities for them to contribute to village amenities. One of the PC's suggestions was the surfacing of the car park and track. We await their decision!
14. Date and venue of next meeting.....7.30, 24 Jan 2018, Stables