

## PCWG Meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September 2018

**Woodland Group attendees:** Marjorie, Graham, Jeff, John, Mike, Stuart, Charlotte, Sheena, Stu.

**Apologies:** Dave, Louise, Dave B, Elaine, Lesley, Nic, Chloe and Callum

### Matters arising not covered elsewhere

- Jeff did all the famous **Colls of the Tour** and was top finisher.
- **Fact sheet was circulated. Needs some further design/illustration** so it can be a flyer as well as a reference for the group. Marje to tart it up. Copy could be put on the website. All members to have a copy and we will maintain as a living document.
- **Louise has invited Rosanne Cunningham to visit the Moss.** She is keen to visit on **Wednesday 28th of November at 10.00am to 11.00am.** Need 5-6 people to join the group. Initial attendees - Louise, Dave, Stuart, Jeff, Charlotte and Sheena? We should invite Andrew McBride and Gary. To be confirmed.
- **Viewpoint indicator is fixed, thanks to Stuart.** Needs installation with the help of Gary and his team - needs cemented. Jeff to contact Gary
- **Orchard sign undergoing repair by Stuart.** Many thanks to Stuart for giving of his time and expertise
- **Chair up the hill. Matt will fix** if we get the chair off the hill - need to agree how to do this once we have installed viewpoint indicator
- **High Vis jackets have been ordered - these do not have personal names - Stuart very disappointed**
- Free tree curls available from Graham - stored by Jeff
- **Dip well data - water level has recovered from a record low.** New graph from Jeff and data from Stuart. Jeff to do further analysis and synthesis of findings? Relationship with past profiling work? Cause and effect.? Potential research topic?
- **Jeff has still to coach George** on risk to bogs and his well being from digging new ditches...nicely

### Agenda items

- **Memorial garden for Chris.** - Grass looking good.  
Marje has received a quote to build a bespoke woodland table/seat. A treated pressurised strong table/seat with erection would cost 1500 pounds. Needs some ground work to build a stable structure. Still debate on different options. Seems we want something that has a multitude of possible uses for families and school kids.  
**Reach a decision at the next meeting after looking at the top level.** Consult WT once we have made our decision?  
Do we need an opening event - timing in Easter holidays - involve the school and Brownies?

- **WT update**  
Gary is working part time now.  
Management plan needs to be updated - need to see the latest draft?  
Meeting with SNH on future funding effort  
Urgent poisoning required on the moss - getting rid of the trees is essential  
Add wire loops removed.
- **Treasurers report**  
Balance of 5600.  
Dedicate funds towards new seats for the garden  
Need to resubmit documentation to any to have additional members who can sign cheques

### Events

- **Woodland Trust Volunteers** - First Aid training in November. 6 people will be trained from our group and we will need one or more of these first aiders to be in attendance. We will run with this for a few months. **We need to have a full discussion on the future relationship between WT and PCWG** - do we wish to be an independent. Several member of the group are concerned with possibility of being subsumed by WT.
- **Apple Day - Selected date is the 30th of September.** Who will win the bake off?  
Jeff will update the publicity materials - posts/flyers.  
Send flyers to publicise and create roadside signs - Stuart has offered to help with the roadside signs.  
Charlotte will send publicity to the school as well. Posters to go up in Garage and Lochend Farm Shop as well as on the gate of the orchard. Plan to have the event in the orchard and hall. Depending on weather. Many people have volunteered to make cakes. Stu doing the gluten free version.  
? Louise to ask Simon for the hall's table.  
- **Andrew confirmed he will bring his cruncher.**  
- **Collect apples from the orchard on the 29th of September - 10.30 am.**  
- **Please bring extra beakers and napkins.**  
- **We need plastic sheeting once again - Mike to provide.**  
- **We need bottles for the juice. Set up from midday.**  
- **Event will run from 2-4pm**
- **Burns Supper ?.....** Need to find a band - Dave to help? Tickets may need to be 15 per head with a band. Marje to contact Thomas. May need an alternative date?
- **3rd November - date for actions in the moss.** Removing wire loops and minor repairs. Sheena very keen to get stuck in

### AOB

- **Mike will get Lothian Volunteers lined up with date for next year. Mike to follow up**

**Meeting closed at 09.05 – a record!.**