



PCWG Meeting 17 Jan 23 (at The Well Inn) Draft

1. Present: Michael, Lesley, Stewart, Elaine, Sheena, Dave C., Jeff, Louise, Dave B, Tanji
2. Apologies: Nic, Stu, Marje, Graham, Charlotte
3. Minutes approved.
4. WT update (see item 4 for Tara's report):
 1. Central office would like to run a 3-day series of events (same day program repeated 3 times) for WT legacy supporters; morning in Moss, afternoon in orchard; WT provide lunch in the Hall
 2. Work is not starting on the Moss this week; any non-essential work is on hold until funding has been determined
 3. Herbicide has not been used by the contractor. Tara explained that the decision has been made (influenced by contractor concerned about runoff to watercourse) to not use herbicide for one year and observe the difference in re-growth. Our volunteers expressed that the reason why it likely hasn't been as effective in the past is due to incorrect or insufficient application. Tara said she has contractors use dye so applicated areas are obvious.
 4. And cut and paste from Tara's email of 17th to Louise:-
The two legacy prospecting and a legacy stewardship event ear marked for the 23, 25, 26 October, but as discussed ideally before the main apple day. If you guys could decide the date of this year's Apple day then we can adjust these date accordingly. Also, by your availability if you are able to contribute with the apple pressing machine etc. Of course this will all be subject to the harvest this year. But we can set a plan A then have a Plan B to revert too as you mentioned, that would be great. I'll let Kirsty take over comms around this and discuss the village hall hire and catering options. If you could please let me have a list of the proposed events, you wish to hold this year as soon as possible then we can discuss them asap. Even better if you can get the group formalised then I can include them in your annual licence to operate and all will run much smoother.
5. Constructive meeting between PCWG and WT; reviewed interpretation plan round the Moss; visitor segments, local community, current audience, potential audience, assets (tangible & intangible); Eilidh (WT) will draw up assessment and plan and email to Louise
6. Treasurer's report: more Christmas tree donations collected from group members
7. Birch Pull 18th January: group members to provide poppers & first aid kit
8. Apple Tree Pruning & 6 apple trees to plant: Feb 18th: with March 4th as a back up date
9. Easter Egg Roll & 'Best Dressed Egg' Competition: held in Kilmagadwood, TVA to contact Portmoak PS Parent Council to see if they are interested in organising with us
10. Dawn Chorus Saturday/Sunday May 6/7: Get Scott Paterson (local bird recorder) to do a count and compare with the last count (ten years ago)
11. New working relationship WT/PCWG: Summary PowerPoint provided by Graham/Jeff/Michael. Took advice from various knowledgeable sources/bodies to determine feasible options. Michael to prepare management plan for PCWG to review and then forward to WT. Three viable options. Thanks to Jeff, Graham, and Michael for all their efforts and research! Extensive discussion over various options. Will now take time to decide next steps. Heap of info to review.



12. AOB: review of first aid kit; dams in Moss