

Portmoak minutes sept 2015

Present – Stewart, Lesley, Mike, Elaine, Jeff, Dave, Alison, Louise, Dave.

Welcome Sheena Buchanan

Apologies – chris, charlotte, gary

- 1 Woodland update – none
Fires – Alison found a cold fire. Empty beer cans – straws etc. Yoof.
Fizz neighbour found a burning bit of woodland -0.3 or 4 sq metres – Dave B and Louise went down and put it out with buckets and spades – took about an hour. S turned up to congratulate us as we finished. Contacted Gary to no avail.

Matters arising. what's the Trust policy and drill? Louise to ask Gary. Should we have beaters. Noticeboards? S and A to write note to Yoof and leave in middle of fire.
- 2 Hydrology – 2nd 5 posts in – still to be checked. SNH to supply training and computer. Also Spagnum moss walk which may end up a separate date. We will soon be logging and collecting data. Stewart has details
- 3 Cumbria– Alison – Located Foulshaw Moss near Grange over sands. Steal good ideas. Call it best practice.
- 4 The Old/New sign. Wait till Gary tells us that the contractors are coming and Stewart will liase between Gary and Eric
- 5 LLLP Lesley discussed progress and timescale. Ed of LLLP to be invited to SNH
- 6 Peatlands – nothing
- 7 Red squirrels – Louise sightings of red squirrels in the canopy and L's nuts. The area is hoaching with red squirrels.
- 8 Welcome Scott Patersons bird log – 57 different species in the Moss. Whoopee.
- 9 The map in the pub. Jeff to progress.
- 10 Apple day – 70 folk attended. The whole day a triumph.
matters arising. Have it next year – maybe October. Jimmy loudening of the land. Buying a glopeta glopeta machine and a press. Promote it earlier and bigger – RSVP form. Involve school. Resurrect the tepee. Invite Andrew back on a different day. Can we put glyphosate round the trees? Lesley to talk to Andrew. Or not.
- 11 Treasurers report. Lesley to send a didgy version to minutes secy.
- 12 Office bearers. Jeff chair nom Elaine. Second Louise. Seccy Louise nom jeff second Alison .
- 13 agree to have AGM next month. Possibly change designations.
- 14 SNH meeting Attenders. Mike, Louise, Jeff and Stewart. Poss 2 LLLPs. Meeting in Battleby 1400. 23rd September
- 15 Louise to book hall with john. Dave to ask john purser. Lesley to send checklist to minutes secy.
- 16 Aob Fire in rowens by the golf club. Louise to talk to Gary about Fire.