

MARPLE LOCKS HERITAGE SOCIETY

Minutes of the meeting held at Top Lock Marine on Tuesday 8th June 2010

Present: Peter Clarke, Alison Allcard, Brian Nash, Carol Baggott and Rod Shreeve.

ACTION

Apologies: Malcolm Allcard and Bob Woodgate.
Minutes of the last meeting were approved.

Treasurer's report

Malcolm had sent a report of a balance of £799.37, this included a donation of £50 from Janet Patterson for erecting the bench in memory of her late husband; Alison had written to thank her. Peter reported that we would be receiving a donation of £200 from the fund which SMBC held for the Iron Bridge Project; also £100 would go towards publicity for the Heritage Open Days in Sept. £1000 would be made available in the future for printing of the Locks Trail Guide. We agreed that more of these should be made available to the public – we would take some to the Carnival.

Marple Wharf

Peter had received a joint statement from the steering group who had met with BW/H2O on 27th May. BW were still looking into the planning issues which had been raised at the previous meeting and the layout of the site was being reviewed. BW reaffirmed their support for a community based use of the site as part of the commercially viable redevelopment.

Picnic Site

Application has been submitted to the Area Committee for funding for one recycled plastic bench with disabled access at a cost of around £550. The meeting was scheduled for 23rd June and Pete would attend to put our case if necessary. If we are successful, we can then contact BW to show them which type of bench we have chosen and to fix a time for erecting it.

PC

Task days

Alison reported that the painting of locks 1-8 was now finished and the last task day had been spent gardening at Possett Bridge, this would take another two sessions as it was in a bad state. New dates were arranged: 24th June, 2nd and 12th July; Alison would circulate.

AA

Marple Festival

There had been no meeting of the committee since our last meeting.

A.O.B.

- a) Pete said there were some railway sleepers available from Rosehill Station which we could use to raise the sides of Lock 17. Pete and Alison would measure the length required. **PC**
- b) Alison asked if we could fix a date for the open meeting in September, Pete would contact Ian Parkinson at All Saints' Church to see if the room was free on 7th Sept. **PC**
- c) Rod said he didn't think the publication The Beacon was an appropriate place for us to have an article as it was mostly adverts. He would try to get sight of other issues to see if they were all the same.

Date of next meeting Tuesday 20th July 2010 2.00 at Top Lock.