



Friends of Bradford's Becks

Minutes of quarterly meeting on Monday 3rd April 2017

Kirkgate Centre, Shipley, 7-9pm.

Item	Action
Present: Geoff, Pauline, Elisabeth, Rose, Brian, Barney, Eddie, David, Wendy, Tony (T), Sara, Apologies: Irene, Graham, Tony (E), Jackie,	
1. Walks booklet <ol style="list-style-type: none">Completed! 5000 copies printed and ready to give away.Distribution plan: Pauline and Elisabeth will take charge of this. Suggestions needed various made in meeting. P&E will compile suggestions and ask group for more and to take actions.PDF version – going on new website – Wendy.Guided walks – not on offer this time, although Rose and Pauline are doing a couple with other groups they are involved with.	Pauline & Elisabeth. Wendy And everyone!

<p>2. Listening sculpture</p> <p>a. Planning permission now granted!</p> <p>b. Fundraising. The required budget in outline is:</p> <p>Total £55K incl. £9K is in kind contributions (secured) We have £3K in the bank, and £5K underwritten by ART.</p> <p>David and Barney will be focussing on this for the next few months. Target is an Arts Council application in early May for the bulk of the funding. There will be appeals and bids to cover the £5K from ART, and to reduce the amount we bid for.</p> <p>c. Timetable. Current plan is:</p> <p>April-July – fundraising; decision to proceed or delay in August Sept – Oct – first workshops Nov 17-Mar 18 – main fabrication June-Aug 18 – words stuff Oct 18 – installation and launch.</p> <p>d. Design activities. Need Stainless steel fabricator. Initial suggestions: Metalcraft in Bowling, Richard Allan - Dewsbury</p>	<p>Barney & David</p>
<p>3. New website</p> <p>Demo of draft by Wendy.</p> <p>Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repository of meeting minutes and agenda • Cyan colour difficult to see? • Home page – people need to be able to return to a beginning • Contact us at bottom of “Who we are” <p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Go live • Save the archive from the old site, then it can be deleted • Please send content and suggestions to Wendy to load up! • Wendy, Barney, Geoff, Rob to have editing rights. <p>Many thanks to Wendy.</p>	<p>Wendy</p> <p>Comments and content from all please</p>

<p>4. Urban Pollution hunting</p> <p>26 incidents found and reported, almost entirely by Rob, our Pollution Hunter.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="284 315 687 539"> <thead> <tr> <th>Type</th> <th>Frequency</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Sewage</td> <td>8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Construction</td> <td>6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Abuse of Drains</td> <td>4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fly Tipping</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Industrial</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Domestic Mis-connections</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Agricultural Slurry</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>26</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The longer term aim is to get a full investigation of Bradford's sewers into the next Yorkshire Water investment cycle (from 2020) by presenting good evidence. We hope Bradford Council Env Scrutiny Comm will support this with a recommendation to the EA and YW at its meeting on 18th April.</p> <p>Rob in post until end May.</p>	Type	Frequency	Sewage	8	Construction	6	Abuse of Drains	4	Fly Tipping	3	Industrial	2	Domestic Mis-connections	2	Agricultural Slurry	1	Total	26	<p>Rob to keep it up!</p>
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<p>5. Education Project "Miss Connection"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Visits to schools – 2 so far. b. The washing machine cum house was demonstrated – much appreciated! c. Future: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Waiting for responses from other schools, now all swamped by Easter and SATS. ii. Irene is discussing with Shaun O'Hara whether the show can be used in Keighley via the Big Local iii. Performances are available to any group – just ask! 	<p>Irene</p>																		
<p>6. River Stewardship</p> <p>Geoff explained where we are now. £30K provided to enable ART to get a stewardship scheme going for Bradford. RSC (River Stewardship Company, Sheffield) and a Kirkstall group (Phil Marken) have the initial contract for events and profile raising. Geoff, Kevin, Kirsty (Bradford) overseeing.</p>	<p>Geoff</p>																		
<p>7. Environment Agency report – not present</p>																			

<p>8. Other recent activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Green Drinks, Keighley. Presentation by Eddie and Rob. Further actions resulted with Shaun O'Hara, Phil Sheridan, and Jim Walker. b. Eastbrook flooding. No news. c. GIS project with Michele. d. Canal Rd, BEGIN (EU project). Very DAD e. Two plaques walks – U3A and Older & Wilder 	
<p>9. Any other business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Next meeting is AGM. If anyone wants to see changes in how we work, let Barney know. b. History paper – will call for contributions in early May c. Flooding issues drop-ins by Bradford. Watch out for adverts and consider dropping in. 	
<p>10. Minutes of last meeting were accepted.</p>	
<p>11. Next meetings and events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Reporting to Bradford's Environment Scrutiny Committee, 18th April, City Hall Comm Room 1, 17:30. <i>Geoff to cover for Barney will be en-route to China</i> b. AGM and Quarterly catch-up 10th July, 7:30pm c. Quarterly catch-up 9th Oct. d. Aire cleanup Sat 8th April, footbridge over river 	<p>Geoff</p>