

LOCAL ACCESS FORUM REPORT - 28 November 2023  
AGENDA ITEM 1(d)

LOCAL ACCESS FORUM: 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023

ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETING

**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To inform the Local Access Forum about the progress made on actions and issues arising from the Forum meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

Key:

Completed items
In progress
Incomplete

Action owners:

GP	Geoff Priest (Chair)	CC	Chris Capper (Parks and Countryside Team Leader)
SW	Sharon Wootten (Public Rights of Way Officer)	JW	Jacqui Wheeler (Parks & Countryside Access Officer/Secretary of the LAF)
LH	Lisa Hughes (Vice Chair)	ML	Mikey Lloyd (Democratic Services)

**Agenda Item 1(c): Matters Arising**

Item	Action / Issue	Action Owner	Outcome
1.2	Training for LAF members – GP consulted members on scope of potential training and received feedback. Two members LH and CT have undertaken the BHS training. Access & RoW Level 1 training course.	GP/LH/JW	Please contact JW if you wish to attend the BHS training.
1.3	BCA had been identified as an organisation from which younger LAF members might be recruited.	GP/JW	GP has spoken with BCA – membership Item 2 – this action is on hold as BCA currently integrating with East Berkshire College. <b>Any update GP</b>
13.1	LAF Chairs Meeting took place as a virtual meeting on 11th January and 14th June 2023. JW circulated notes from the meetings, and these are included in the papers for info.	JW/GP	Further meeting to be held on 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2023. GP, LH and JW to attend. Meeting notes to follow. Further correspondence received from Natural England LAF Engagement Officer – confirmed RBWM LAF Annual Report for 21-22 has been loaded onto the SharePoint site. <b>Requests to know the types of issues LAF's may want to collaborate on.</b>

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6.1	Look into emerging re-development of Ascot High Street engagement	JW/LH	RBWM Planning Policy are currently undertaking stakeholder and community engagement to help them prepare the concept design for Ascot High Steet and SPD. Further public consultation on the Draft SPD and preferred High Street option is likely to be in late Jan/Feb 2024. LH was unable to attend the Reference Group meeting that took place on 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept but did provide information guidance information relating to inclusive street design. JW emailed Planning Policy for an update.
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**Agenda Item 5: Multi-user Subgroup**

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5.1	Dorney Rowing Lake - RBWM LAF seeking to engage the support of the Bucks LAF in asking Eton College to open the seasonal gates from the Thames Path on event days during the summer with suitable security presence to mitigate congestion and encourage active travel.	GP	Emails exchanged with Bucks LAF Officers, who have agreed to add this request to the March 2024 LAF folder for inclusion at the meeting then.

**Agenda Item 9: Informal Consultation for diversion of Maidenhead FP19**

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5.1	Confirmation of LAF response sent on 12 <sup>th</sup> July 2023 in support of the proposed diversion.	All	Informal consultation now complete and Rights of Way and Highways Licensing Panel arranged to meet on 14 <sup>th</sup> December to consider whether to make the order.

**Agenda Item 11: Summer Site Visits**

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11.1	The Stakeholder Masterplan Document for AL37 Lower Mount Farm (also known as Land West of Cannondown Road) was approved by Cabinet in March this year, and is now a material consideration for any planning application on	Info	Bellway Homes Planning applications for 200 dwellings on two sites making up site AL37 Cookham have yet to be determined.

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	the site. <a href="#">Land West of Cannondown Road   Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead (rbwm.gov.uk)</a>		
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**Agenda Item 13: Any other business**

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5.2	Access to Sashes Island (Cook/FP65) via the permitted path across the EA bridge. No evidence of historical agreement of permitted path. PRoW officers have been pushing for access to FP65 to undertake inspection as it's possible for people to access the path via the river.		SW visited with the EA and path was cleared on 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct by PRoW contractor. Clearance will be done again in April 2024. EA are considering seasonal access. No further update received as EA did not attend last Thames Path Partnership meeting (8 <sup>th</sup> Nov).