

BROADS SOCIETY

Notes on an informal discussion with Trudi Wakelin, BA Director of Operations Tuesday 15 July 2014 prior to the formal meeting of the Main Committee

Trudi reported on the following issues:

1 Completed projects since last meeting

- Mooring at Hardley Cross
- Launching step at Belaugh

2 Ongoing work

- Dredging of River Waveney downstream of Waveney River Centre at Burgh St Peter
- Dredging of River Bure downstream of St Benets
- Fabrication of dolphins for de-masting at Bure Mouth
- Temporary Repair to breach at Hardley Flood completed
- Weed cutting around moorings and along footpaths ongoing as well as in the navigation channels
- Discussions in progress with the County Council regarding maintenance of Wherryman's Way

3 Miscellaneous

- The Project for developing visitor facilities at Whitlingham had been shelved due to failure to negotiate an agreement with all partners
- Landscape Partnership bid in development.
- Geldeston woodland bid to be registered as a community asset submitted by Waveney River Trust.
- Report on Broads Volunteers will be given to Broads Forum for information as requested by a member.
- Pre-season meeting arranged for 24 September to discuss Broadsword work plan. 10 days had been allocated for work on Sundays and Wednesdays throughout the winter season
- Monitoring of activity on the Broads on "Super Safety Days" had revealed a high level of compliance on navigation byelaws but there was still a need to promote use of life jackets.
- The Police Broadsbeat launch was now in service and would carry out targeted patrols on the advice of the Broads Authority, for example anti-social behaviour on Barton Broad.
- There was a marked decline in the number of day boats exceeding the speed limit in Wroxham. This was largely due to boatyards installing speedometers.
- The Broads Authority was trying to encourage prompt reporting of incidents via Broads Control 01603 756056.
- The Mooring Strategy workshop had been arranged for 22 July
- The Stakeholder Survey had been approved and was likely to be run some time in September, but details had yet to be agreed with consultants
- Thurne & Bure Parish Forum and Annual Open Day had been well attended and there had been good Q&A sessions. The next Parish Forum would take place in September in the Waveney area on a date to be identified.