



Rutland County Council

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Ladies and Gentlemen,

A meeting of the **RUTLAND COUNTRYSIDE ACCESS FORUM** will be held Via Zoom - <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86149649844> on **Wednesday, 28th September, 2022** commencing at 2.00 pm when it is hoped you will be able to attend.

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Yours faithfully

Mark Andrews
Chief Executive

A G E N D A

1) APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

2) APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR

3) WELCOME & APOLOGIES

To receive any apologies for absence.

4) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In accordance with the Regulations, Members are invited to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they may have and the nature of those interests in respect of items on this Agenda and/or indicate if Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 applies to them.

5) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

To confirm the minutes of the Rutland Countryside Access Forum held on the 9th March 2022.

(Pages 5 - 10)

No.	Ref:	Action	Allocated to:	Completed
1	5	Highways to be informed about the signs for Wardley by the A47 and sign at crossing point on to the Bridleway	Vicki Semple	Completed in May 2022
2	5	Highways to be informed about the need for a horse user sign in Lyddington.	Vicki Semple	Completed in May 2022
3	5	Rosemary to review where current signs highlighting horses on the roads and bridleways. To then research areas that she felt needed more signage and signs to be relocated. Documenting any incidents, she had been made aware of or witnessed in these areas to support the requirement. She would also look at the use of temporary signs erected by the police.	Rosemary Harris	Completed and fed back to Forum Members and Stuart Crook by email
4	6	John Law to draft letter to DEFRA regarding replacement for Higher Level Stewardship (HLS	John Law	Completed
5	6	Governance to circulate the letter to Members of the Forum and then send the letter to DEFRA copying the local MP and Natural England.	Governance	Completed and response to be discussed at September Meeting
6	7	Governance to review the DEFRA guidelines recommending secretarial support.	Governance	Completed
7	8	Paul to give a written update regarding the Canal project.	Paul Dadford	Scheduled for September Meeting
8	11	Governance to seek members views on in person or virtual meeting for next meeting.	Vicki Semple	Views sought without preferences expressed

6) MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

To discuss any matters arising from the previous minutes that are not included in the agenda.

7) GREEN SOCIAL PRESCRIBING

To receive a written report by John Law.
(Pages 11 - 12)

8) COUNTRYSIDE ACCESS VOLUNTEERS

To receive a written report by John Law.
(Pages 13 - 16)

9) MILES WITHOUT BARRIERS

To receive a written report from John Law.
(Pages 17 - 18)

10) THE BRITISH HORSE SOCIETY - EQUESTRIAN ACCESS

To receive a presentation from Wendy Bannerman from the British Horse Society.
(Pages 19 - 34)

11) LEGAL ORDERS

To receive a report by Stuart Cook, Highways Asset & Policy Manager.
(Pages 35 - 42)

12) RECRUITMENT TO THE FORUM

To receive a verbal update from Stuart Cook, Highways Asset & Policy Manager.

13) RESPONSE TO LETTER ON PERMISSIVE ACCESS ARRANGEMENTS

To discuss the response to the letter on permissive access arrangements.

14) THE OAKHAM CANAL GREEN CORRIDOR - PROJECT UPDATE

(Pages 43 - 44)

15) ANY URGENT BUSINESS

16) DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 8th March 2023.

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MEMBERS OF THE RUTLAND COUNTRYSIDE ACCESS FORUMNAME OF COMMITTEE:

1.	Councillor A Brown (Chair)
2.	Councillor Rick Wilson
3.	Mr R Brett
4.	Mr J Buchanan
5.	W Cross
6.	Mrs R Harris
7.	Mr W Kirstein
8.	Mr J Law
9.	Mr R Linford
10.	Mr J Williams

OFFICERS:

11.	Stuart Crook	Highways Asset Management and Policy Manager
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