**South Ayrshire Local Access Forum**

**Minute of Meeting**

**on Wednesday 16th November 2022.**

**Lifelong Learning Suite, Alloway Primary School**

**Present: Apologies:**

Angus Craig Robin Wilson

Colin Clark Clive Stacey

Cllr Ian Davis Dougie Graham

Colin Mair Iain Gairns

Euan Terras Jenny Fergusson

Neil Feggans Cllr Alec Clark

Janice Kirkpatrick

Cllr Craig Mackay

Mike Hazlewood

**Attending:** Rachel Shipley, Outdoor Access Officer

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| **No** | **Item** | **Action** |
| 1.  2.  3.  4.  5.  6.  7.  8.  9.  10. | **Welcome and Apologies**  Colin Mair welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance.  Neil Feggans has returned as an individual member.  Apologies were intimated as above*.*  **Minute of meeting on 24.11.21**  Minute was proposed by Angus Craig and seconded by Colin Clark. Minute was adopted.  **Matters Arising**  Burnside Path  Currently physically closed to horse riders (gate at Mossblown end is wired shut). After a couple of initial enquiries from horse riders at the beginning of the year, there have been no complaints/ comments/ contact from horse riders regarding the use of the route.  Prestwick Golf Course sec 11 access exemption order  Request for section 11 order, for golf event, was refused by Scottish Ministers. The Golf Club was informed of this decision. The Golf Club has already arranged for the event to be marshalled, and the public was guided across the course by marshals or encouraged to use the alternative route provided.  AC and ET both reported that this arrangement worked well, for the Club event and for the public.    **SALAF Chair**  CM will be stepping down as Chair, effective at next meeting in February 2023.  All Forum members agreed Colin had done an excellent job as Chair and were very grateful for his contribution.  CC indicated that he may be interested in taking on the role of Chair, and so the group would then be looking for a new vice-chair.  **NE Troon active travel/ public routes within/ through the site**  Suggested that path diversion order may be required if the original route of this right of way has been changed by the development. RS to speak to planning officer dealing with the development.  **Paths Maintenance Update**  Troon LCN  (Dundonald Road by Marr College, had been talk of at level crossing.  Improvements have been done to widen route under bridge and tarred surface is good now.  ARA bought section of land (was private garden) to widen route.  River Ayr Way waymarkers  Cllr Clark was trying to improve the RAW maintenance budget, which would mean that new waymarkers could be installed.  RS to get quotes for this job.  CM suggested looking for sponsorship for some of the promoted trails (such as RAW).  RS will look into this, contact Louise Reid for advice.  Lady Hunter Blair trail  NF suggested may need to mention sec 14 notice to landowner, to get him moving on the work required.  Contact Straiton CC to ask for written support.  Contact Council’s forester for expert view on what work is actually required, and possibly approx. cost to do that work.  **Outstanding/Completed Local Access Cases/Access Enquiries**  Discussed various cases on the datasheet.  **AOCB**  CC reported that Smugglers trail – couple of sections need attention. Narrow path along edge of RTGC at beach is very overgrown, and finger post sign broken (at Old Kirk/ end of stone track by playing fields).  CC asked if there would be a reprint of leaflet for entire length of River Ayr Way (old leaflet out of print/ stock years ago).  RS to contact EAL officers, and SAC tourism section, to discuss.  **Next Meetings**  15th February 2023  Arrange SALAF General Meeting – press advert/ social media to invite public to meeting, and book venue at Council Chambers, Ayr Town Hall  17th May 2023  16th August 2023.  17th November 2023  **Finish** | *RS*  *RS*  *RS*  *RS*  *RS* |

RS 19.12.22