## NORTH SHROPSHIRE WALKERS FORUM SUMMARY MONDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2012 – ELLESMERE TOWN HALL

## PRESENT -

Les Besant Baschurch Walking for Health

Sue Cornish Wem Walkers Neville Edwards Wem Walkers

Liz Evans North Shropshire Walking Co-Ordinator, Shropshire Council

David Farncombe Mere Ambles
Pat La-Garde Oswestry Ramblers
Ann Moore Whitchurch Walkers

Neil Moore Whitchurch Walkers/Ramblers

Harvey Morgan Countryside Recreation Officer, Shropshire Council

Gerald Moss Whitchurch Ramblers
Alison Parker Oswestry Ramblers

Jim Stabler Access Development Officer, Shropshire Council

Russell Tucker Oswestry Walking for Health

It was agreed that in section 3 of the agenda, a shared vision for walking in Shropshire would be that the Shropshire Walking Forum recognises...

- That a well maintained, legally protected access network significantly benefits the County's health and economy.
- That working in partnership with Shropshire's communities and landowners is the best way to maximise these benefits.
- That there should be more opportunities developed for everyone to enjoy the countryside and to be more physically active.

It was agreed that in section 4 of the agenda, the aim of the Walking Forum is to represent all forms of walking for everybody, concentrating on its development and promotion to support and encourage leisure, social interaction, physical and mental health, combined with care of the environment within the County.

Next meeting will be at Welshampton Village Hall on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October 7-9pm.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN	ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY
<ul> <li>More information to be shared on internet by links</li> <li>A central 'bucket' where all local walks can be found</li> <li>Outside county sites to be added to Shropshire as many are not far away geographically</li> <li>All local groups to be on website</li> <li>Tourist information centres to have easier access to tell visitors about local walks</li> </ul>	Jim Stabler
P3 group vacancies to be shared	Harvey Morgan
Other people to be invited to forum, for eg. Younger people Landowners NFU	Liz Evans
Ideas for project in your area	Everybody