# Access Development Officer Project Update

## Minsterley Pontesbury MTRP

- Main element of groundworks Completed in Happy Valley, other upgrade works ongoing.
- Guidebook design agreed and content being written locally.
- Need to contact vicar in Minsterley and Village hall to sort out positioning of water fountains.
- Mike Ashton is producing the map boards.
- Awaiting Parish Councils to sort out positions of bike racks.
- We have had to extend the contract finish date due to some delays.

### Paths for Communities (P4C)

- Now writing applications for 3 of the 4 projects to go before P4C board in Oct/Nov:
  - **Oswestry Ring** simple and easiest to write This involves the dedication of the woodland to the west of the A5 and owned by us as a bridleway
  - **Much Wenlock** Talks with the landowner with regard to the railway bed being dedicated as a ROW are ongoing.
  - Fieldfare Trust Have talked to NE who like this project even though it will only be creating footpath ROWs. The fieldfare Trust will work with Shropshire MIND and groups with learning difficulties to carry out improvements on the sites. The project involves the ROW footpath dedications as follows:
    - Footpath in Cremorne gardens following existing paths on ground
    - Easy access around Cole Mere
    - Footpath on line of the Shropshire Way at Brown Moss
  - **Humphrey Kynnaston extension**. This project is much more complicated and will require more detailed negotiations with landowners and Highways Authority. It will not be ready for Oct/Nov board meetings.

A meeting will be held with NE on 15 Oct to discuss the proposals further.

• ReaVEN are also putting together a P4C bid to open up the old railway line between Pontesbury and Minsterley. You are being briefed at the LAF meeting on this.

#### • Meres and Mosses LPS

Go ahead given for following work this FY.

Location	Item
Bettisfield Moss Trail	Interpretation board for landing stage
	Orientation map/panel at car park
	Orientation map/panel at jetty
	3 oak benches around disabled walk
Whixall Moss Trails (Starfish Trail)	Baskets
	Access platform
	Access way markers
	4 oak benches
Colemere & Lyneal Wharf	Colemere disabled access from car park
	3 oak benches
Brown Moss Trail	Bridge

- Benches are on order and quotes being obtained for Starfish site re-construction
- There will be more work next year on Wem Moss and Cadney Moss

#### **Disabled Access at Whixall –**

• Work has started and will be completed by the end of November

**Path creation Astley Abbots to Bridgnorth** –The Parish Council wish to create a path between the towns. We have presented them with a project plan and costs for them to consider how to fund it. We await the feedback from the Parish Council.

Guide book reprints – We are amending and negotiating the reprints of:

- Family friendly walks
- Easy access guide adding the Much Wenlock all ability trail
- Much Wenlock Walks

#### **Other small Works**

It has been agreed to carry out upgrading works as part of STF funding as follows:

- Oswestry High Fawr bridleway upgrade
- o Oswestry Cemetery path upgrade
- o Hodnet to Marchamley path creation
- o Shrewsbury riverside path upgrade