

NORTH SHROPSHIRE WALKING FORUM

NOTES FROM MEETING OF MONDAY 8TH APRIL 2013

Present :

Ernie Heath

Brendan and Margaret Markland

Peter Carr

Alison Parker

Ann and Neil Moore

Jim Stabler

Liz Evans

From the last meeting everyone agreed pub walks was still a good idea and wanted to continue with it. There are pubs that want to come on board and promote walking from their establishments.

Action

Everyone to come up with a route from a pub

Jim to put an overview/brief together for people to take to pubs so that landlords can see the objectives and come on board.

The Shropshire Way booklets are done, but may have a problem with a landowner which may need amending.

Jim and Peter Dunhill are dealing with this.

Footfall

There has been no response from enquiries, so this is being shelved.

Walking Festivals

A list of walking events that Liz is aware of is attached. If you know of any more they can be added. If you required a printed version, Liz can post some out to you.

Walking for Health Rebrand

The Ramblers and Macmillan have now launched their combined logo to promote walking for health. It remains much more successful in the south of the county. Attached is a timetable for the north. If anybody feels a group would be viable in their area, please let Liz know.

Walking Projects

Jim informed people of the following projects he would like people to become involved in.

Walks around WW1 – there will be a national recognition of the 100th anniversary of the start of WW1 next year, and it would be good if north Shropshire could be part of it. There are many places that are relevant to WW1, including Park Hall, Prees Heath, Old Oswestry Hill Fort, Wilfred Owen in Oswestry, Meres and Mosses remount place, Whixhall Moss biggest tented camp. If anyone has any ideas as to somewhere interesting they know of in connection to the war, and which could incorporate a walk, please contact Jim.

Pilgrimage Route

It has been suggested that a route be made to recreate the pilgrimage Henry V made after Agincourt which became second only to Canterbury and Walsingham. The route went from Shrewsbury Abbey to Holywell in Flintshire. The new route could incorporate religious places of interest such as St Winifred's Well. If anyone would like to be involved in this, or has any ideas for part of a route please see Jim.

Anything Else

When people print off walks from the Shropshire website it does not convert well to black and white printers. This is because they are made to produce colour brochures. Does anyone have any ideas how this could be done so people with a black and white printer can get a better result.?

Next Meeting

Monday 1st July 2013, 2pm at Ellesmere Town Hall.

