

Marsh and Micklefield Big Local Notes from meeting held on 4 March 2021 at 7 pm

Present:

Maddy Howe (Chair), Matt Knight (Vice Chair) Eric Meek, Rebecca Bennett, Rachel Pike, Ani Khosla, Shanthi Wortman, Marcin Kurowski, Ian Morton, Elaine Mendy, Wendy Bull, Oliver Witney, Helen Garfield (Big Local Rep), Lisa Meaney (Development Manager), Carol Rickwood (Admin)

Funding Process:

After a walk through the funding process and using the Potential-o-Meter in respect of the Wycombe Marsh BL, it was felt this could be given 'a go'. Suggestions were also made about whether decisions on funding could go to a subgroup instead of the whole team. This was something that would be discussed further once people had signed up to the team/partnership.

With regard to the Wycombe Marsh BL Application it was agreed that funding be awarded for the purchase of a Mini Marquee only.

Funding for a PA system and Mini Petrol Generator to be held back for further discussion as follows:-

- Type of PA system required.
- Battery powered generator would be preferred due to the impact on climate change.
- Question/s were raised about the use of this equipment (and other) within the wider community of Marsh and Micklefield. A discussion on the positive aspects and negative, taking into account where this was to be stored and who would take responsibility for the care and management.

Taking the above into account the Chair asked who would lead the discussion on the PA system and generator and Marcin agreed to talk further with RBL.

Formal Sign up to the Partnership:

Chair asked for show of hands and the following agreed to join:-

Rebecca Bennett, Anil Khosla, Shanthi Wortman, Marcin Kurowski, Ian Morton, Rachel Pike Eric Meek, and Maddy as chair and Annie Baughan and Riaz Ahmed who had already agreed but not at the meeting. There were a couple of others not at the meeting who may also join.

Project reports document:

Chair asked what the team thought about the document in its present form.

It was acknowledged that this was a good layout.

A question was raised about where this was going to be published. Discussion followed that if it was only internally then a text document would be sufficient but if not then the format would be good for publishing externally. It was pointed out that the idea to publish on the website was to show grants that had been funded and to encourage further applications. It was agreed that this style of report would be placed on the website for all future funds awarded.

Next meeting

Meeting pattern was agreed as the first Thursday of each month. Style yet to be agreed. Same format for next meeting which will be held on Thursday 1 April at 7 pm Meeting finished at 8.15 pm