

Minutes for general meeting held on 8th November 2022, 7:30pm

1. **Welcome and new members:** Bridget welcomed everyone and new member Anne Redfern
2. **Apologies:** Ailsa Gibson, Sue Clowes, Sheila Kissack, Ann Rigby, Pat Funnell, Kate Lennox
3. **Minutes of Last Meeting:** proposed by: Sharon Cash seconded: Frances Clisham
4. **Matters Arising:** none
5. **Financial matters**
 - a. Sue Maynard has set things up so that new members can set up standing orders for annual NLBS membership to be paid automatically. The form can be downloaded in WORD or PDF and the WORD version is attached for you to use and/or pass on to your friends 😊.
When setting up a standing order or sending by online banking (BACS), please use this account name for paying to:
North Lancashire Bridleways Society (Reg. Charity 1076096)
 - b. Can anyone recommend an accountant to prepare our end of year accounts for May AGM?
 - i. Diane Richmond nominated Mr. Richmond, who has since agreed 😊) and we accepted gratefully and unanimously.
6. **NLBS Tack Sale** – Follow up from the event on **Sunday 23 October 2022**
 - a. In total the sale made £702.50p minus room hire of £85 = **£617.50**– a great result.
 - b. The meeting gave a massive vote of thanks to Julie Sico for organising the event and also thank you to everyone who donated cakes and sandwiches, ran the pop-up café and supported everything else that needed doing on the day to make it such a success.
7. **Bridleway News:** nothing at the moment although see under 9. AOB.
8. **Survey updates:**
 - a. Draft [Westmorland & Furness Plan available](#)
 - b. Proposed industrial development on land near **Haverbreaks Farm** – the parish council was unable to support the development given all the feedback they received, but we must remain vigilant as further submissions may be made.
 - c. **The Greenway development** – possible progress on tie rails for horses at Woodies and Bull Beck – request for placement and design sent to members by separate email after this meeting on 21/11/2022
 - d. **Sustrans survey of the Greenway @ Caton** – nothing (unless anyone knows different?)

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- e. **Arnside to Grange multi-user route** – Bridget Pickthall and Hannah Gardner attended the consultation meeting. There did not seem to be any provision for equestrian use; The cost for the development of the 4 mile stretch is projected to be £29 million. Please see attached file for pictures of the information board at the meeting and for a robust response from Charlotte Ditchburn, access officer for the British Horse Society. Individuals can comment online at: <https://www.morecambebay.org.uk/what-we-do/stories>
- f. Morecambe bay partnership website [Morecambe Bay - a cycling and walking... | Morecambe Bay Partnership](#)

And a soon to be launched Facebook page, called 'Ways around the Bay', which is named deliberately so that other activities can be included in the future. (1) [Ways around the Bay | Facebook](#)

Charlotte Ditchburn is in touch with this project and says "I'm in touch with Sarah Mason and Richard Frank from the Morecambe Bay partnership regarding the 'Experience Morecambe Bay programme', if there's anything specific from local riders they'd like to see delivered through this I'd be happy to put this forward to them.

Kind regards
Charlotte"

If you have any suggestions, please email to me at minutes@nlbs.org.uk by the end of November so I can collate and send to Charlotte to pass on.

9. Any other business

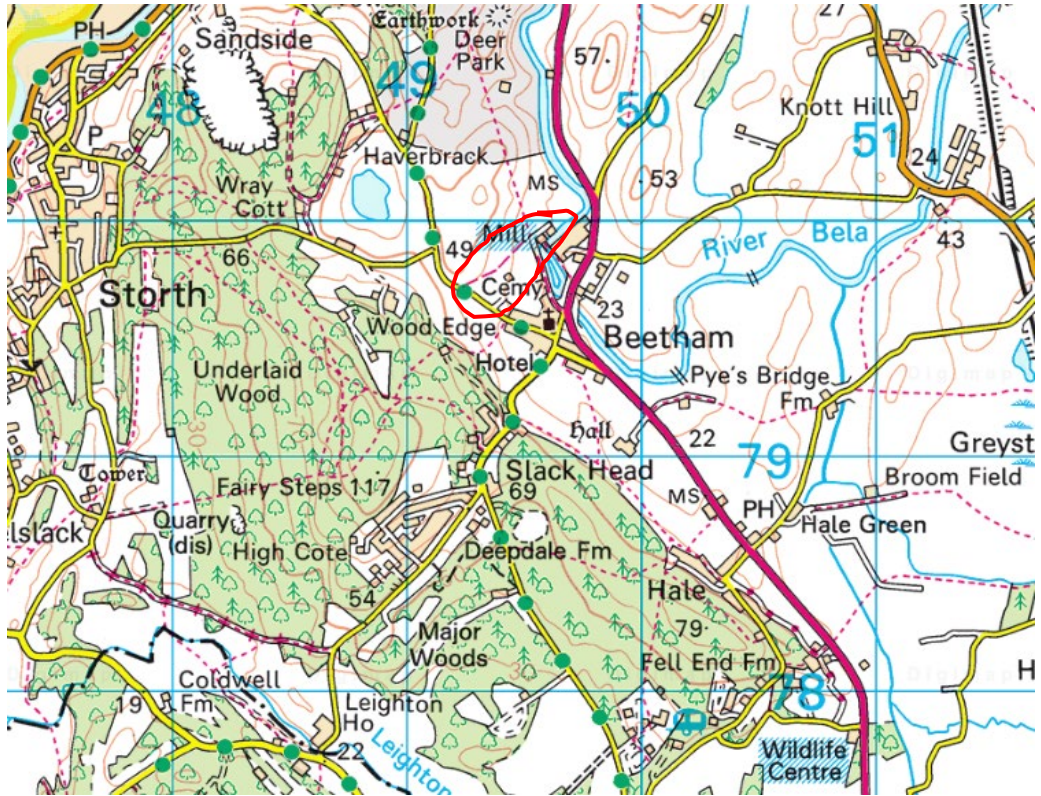
- a. Bridget Pickthall asked for any stamps, preferably picture stamps, that you have so that we can send them on to [Bransby rescue horses](#)
- b. Liz Davison raised a query about arranging a work party to open up bridleways at Beetham and one at Sealford near Farleton Fell/Hutton Roof/New Biggin area (see next page for maps – if someone can let me know specifically which bridleways I can update and re-send the maps). Hannah Gardner will let us know what the council say and whether/when we need to organise. Hannah will also include the local council. We could potentially do a joint on with Cumbria Bridleways as we have before.

Speaker: Sarah Fulwood, 'The Pennine Bridleway - the adventure so far...'

Sarah gave an inspiring account of her adventure with gypsy cob Banner along the Pennine Way in May 2022. Details of horse-friendly B&B and nutritional information are attached – thank you for sharing these Sarah!

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Beetham



Sealford/Farleton Fell/Newbiggin/Hutton Roof

