MINUTES

Venue: Driffield Showground
Date: 04/03/15
Time: 14:00-16:00

Present
Annabel Hanson

Representing:
East & North Yorkshire Waterways Partnership

Andy Gray
Claire Watts
Colin Walker
David Tite
Ed Sweeting
Elizabeth Barker
Graham Ward
Jane Crossley
Jane Evison
Joanne Greenfield
John Brown
John Gatenby
Judy Illing
Kay West
Keith Clarkson
Kevin Kendall
Lucinda Douglas
Malcolm Hodgson
Melanie Bonnie Kane
Mike Bisby
Mike Johnson
Stephen King
Stephen Robinson
Terry Smithson
Tom Rutherford

Officers present
Dee Mitchell
Nicola Dugleby
Luis Palacios Moreno

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1. **Welcome, Introduction and Apologies**  
The Chair welcomed members and guests to the meeting. Apologies had been received from: Andrew Leeming, James Farrar, Jeanette Dawson, Jeremy Pickles, John Reeve, Paula Gouldthorpe, Paulina Reeve, Peter Murphy, Rebecca Jenkins, Rose Horsepool and Susan Oliver.

2. **LEP Update & RDPE Update**  
Claire Watts of the East Riding of Yorkshire Council External Funding, gave an update on the Local Enterprise Partnerships EU structural investment activity covering European Social Fund, European Regional Development Fund and Rural development Fund.

3. **CWWW Programme Update**  
Dee Mitchell, the CWWW LAG Coordinator gave an update on the Next 2014-2020 LEADER programme.

The update consisted of the following points, voted and approved by the LAG members:

- **Budget:** DEFRA have confirmed that our budget is £2,122,000 (based on 0.8 exchange rate).
- **Financial profile:** As the final amount of budget was less than we applied for, changes in the financial profile were presented. The % share of each measure is similar to the financial profile submitted in September 2014.
- **Outputs and targets:** Variations on outputs and targets were presented as well due to the reduced budget.
- **Geographic area:** A population coverage of 152,358 was applied for to enable Driffield to be included the CWWW area. We are awaiting final confirmation from Defra of the population limit allowed and may need to reduce the area by some rural parishes to below the 150,000 threshold.
- **Timetable to launch the programme:** The launch of the LEADER programme will be in June, after the election.
- **Publicity:** Programme related publicity is allowed by DEFRA until the 27th of March.
- **Training event for LAG members and staff:** Defra will deliver during April/May of this year.
- **Process for applications:** There will be a national application form and a two stage process ‘outline’ and ‘full application’.
- **Delivery plan:** Awaiting for DEFRA’s template; LAG members task today is to input to an outline delivery plan prepared in readiness.
4. **CWWW Delivery Plan**

LAG members participated in a workshop in order to complete the LAG delivery plan. LAG members joined tables that aligned their skills/knowledge to the six Defra priorities that we will be funding. The outline delivery plan will be up-dated with LAG member comments and recommendations.

**Recommendations - The following recommendations were approved by the LAG**

1. CWWW Programme length from 6 to 5 years,
2. Revised geographic area subject to a final review to look at Bishop Burton, Cherry Burton and Etton if the population limit is reduced to 150,000,
3. Revised financial spend profile,
4. Revised outputs,
5. Delivery plan including LAG members revisions from today,
6. CWWW programme length to be reviewed if more funding becomes available, and
7. Cooperation and other non-LEADER funding to be pursued to enable priorities in the LDS to be delivered.

5. **Launch Event**

- The next LAG meeting will take place in the new Driffield showground facilities in June.
- There will be a press launch at the Driffield Show on 22nd July as we will have our Rural Development tent at the show.

6. **Any other business**

- There will be a press release next week to encourage project ideas.
- The feedback form handed to the attendees show overall satisfaction regarding to the meeting organisation. The LAG staff acknowledges that there should be more time for workshops in further meetings.

7. **Date of Next Meeting**

June 2015; date and time to be confirmed.

**Footnote – thank you to LAG members who completed their feedback forms.**

**Comments for LAG staff to action are**

1. Complex papers to be sent out before meetings to allow more preparation time.
2. Allow more time in meetings for workshop discussions.
3. Please include cooperation activity in future meetings.