

Joyce Holman

From: Neil Pullen <NeilP@wiltshirewildlife.org>
Sent: 31 October 2018 16:06
To: Joyce Holman
Subject: RE: South Swindon Parish Council

Hello Joyce

Yes sorry it has taken a while to get back to you, but discussions about magnificent meadows are still ongoing and I wanted to be more positive than perhaps in this email.

The application was taken to the Heritage Lottery National Board meeting. However, 30 other applications had been submitted at the same time. National projects are defined as projects up to £5 million in value. However the board only had £10.00 million to distribute and made the decision to distribute as widely as possible to as many projects as possible and those projects (including magnificent meadows) over a certain value not considered. This is extremely disappointing and not an obstacle we had expected.

Talks are still continuing at a national and local level and if the situation changes I will let you know ASAP.

Wiltshire Wildlife Trust are very committed to finding ways to work in Swindon and we would be very keen to explore possibilities at the Lawns.

The Green Corridor also seems very exciting. Do you have timings for the drop in meeting? I am at a seminar at Slimbridge that day but may be able to see if a colleague can attend.

Perhaps we could also arrange a meeting to discuss Shaftesbury and perhaps the Lawns

Regards

From: Joyce Holman [mailto:clerk@southswindon-pc.gov.uk]
Sent: 26 October 2018 16:21
To: Neil Pullen <NeilP@wiltshirewildlife.org>
Subject: South Swindon Parish Council

Dear Neil

I have not heard anything from you and wondered how the Magnificent Meadows project is moving along. I remember that you were going to apply for funding and was this successful.

If this was not successful, then please come back to the Parish Council as I feel that we could work with you in trying to re-establish meadow planting at Lawns.

The Parish Council has another project that they would like to get underway. That is to provide a green Wildlife Corridor along the southern boundary of the Parish.

The footpath would start at Shaftesbury Lake and finish at Rushey Platt and can be seen on the attached map.

The Parish Council plan to start the work by some improvements to Shaftesbury Lake in terms of a new footpath and fishing platform to include one for children and one for disabled people.

The Parish Council would welcome your advice about the best way to maintain the lake bank in the future and also to put some information boards about the wildlife that can be seen in the area.

The lake is also covered with algae and is this anything to worry about. The public do not like to see it.

The Parish Council are holding a public drop-in session at Park South Community Centre on Thursday 8 November 2018 and it would be helpful to have some information for this event. If someone from WWT could come along that would be even better.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards

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