MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS & OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

Report of the: Clerk to the Conservators

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<u>Annexes/Appendices</u> (attached): None
Other available papers (not None

attached):

REPORT SUMMARY

The Conservators are asked to note the current situation on issues raised previously and other items of interest.

1 Dog Control on the Downs – Minute 37 a)

- 1.1 There have been some challenges administering dog control on the Downs during the Derby week as some of the dogs belonging to the Travelling community were not well supervised and were worrying horses. However, generally the public have responded well to requests to keep their dogs on a lead.
- 1.2 As mentioned previously, the next set of challenges are likely to be over the school summer holiday period when more people from out of the area generally visit. In order to assist the Downskeepers with approaching dog walkers in a friendly manner, the idea of handing out dog waste bags has previously been discussed. A quote has been received for printing up custom dog waste bags which simply state: "Welcome to Epsom & Walton Downs. In the interests of safety please keep your dog on a lead before 12 noon or when horses are present". The cost of 10,000 custom printed bags (minimum order quantity) is around £300 which could be funded from the Conservators' budget. The Conservators' views on this proposal are requested.

2 Hack sand track, foot of Walton Downs – Minute 39

2.1 The Head of Legal and Democratic Services will provide a verbal update on this matter at the meeting.