

EPSOM AND WALTON DOWNS CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

Monday 26 September 2016 at 6.00 pm

Committee Room 1 - Epsom Town Hall

The members listed below are summoned to attend the Epsom and Walton Downs Consultative Committee meeting, on the day and at the time and place stated, to consider the business set out in this agenda.

Committee Members

Councillor Liz Frost (Chairman)

Councillor Jean Steer

Hugh Craddock, British Horse Society

Simon Durrant, Epsom Downs Racecourse

Alex Stewart, Epsom Downs Riders Protection Society

Nigel Whybrow, Training Grounds Management Board

Representatives invited to attend

Roger Marples, Epsom Downs Model Aircraft Club

Caroline Baldock, Epsom Equestrian Conservation Group

Richard Balsdon, College Ward Residents' Association

Teresa Cass, Woodcote Residents' Association

Angela Clifford, Epsom Civic Society

Andrew Cooper, Epsom Downs Racecourse

Bob Eberhard, Epsom and Ewell Cycle Action Group

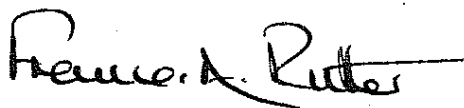
Nick Harrison, Tattenhams Residents' Association

Mark Harvey, Epsom Golf Club

David Lambert, Epsom Downs Model Aircraft Club

Conor Morrow, Lower Mole Countryside Management Service

Yours sincerely



Clerk to the Conservators

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AGENDA

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 5 - 10)

The Committee is asked to confirm as a true record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 9 March 2016 (attached) and to authorise the Chairman to sign them.

2. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETING (Pages 11 - 12)

The Committee is asked to note the current situation on issues raised previously.

3. REPORT OF THE HEAD DOWNSKEEPER

A verbal report will be given to the Committee with regard to recent events and works on the Downs.

4. ISSUES CONSIDERED BY THE CONSERVATORS (Pages 13 - 26)

This report provides the Committee with a summary of items of interest considered at the meetings of the Epsom and Walton Downs Conservators held on 13 April and 15 June 2016, and the Minutes of those meetings.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE DERBY RACE MEETING

The Committee is invited to provide its views on the arrangements for the 2016 Derby Race Meeting.

6. ISSUES RAISED BY THE HACK RIDERS REPRESENTATIVES

To discuss any issues raised by Hack Riders Representatives, including the following:

- repair and maintenance of the sand track
- use of downs including hack areas for parking on non-race days
- condition of the afternoon hack ride up 6 Mile Hill from Langley Vale
- sign posting and grass length of eastern part of 'hatched' area at the foot of Walton Downs
- access to Lonsdale enclosure on non-race days
- missing marker posts along valley hack track below Rubbing House towards Beech Wood junction
- parking in Derby Stables Road
- scrub clearance at top of Rifle Butts Alley

7. ISSUES RAISED FOR CONSIDERATION

To discuss any issues raised by representatives to the Committee, including the following:

- Signs for dog walkers – Eastern routes onto the Downs (requested by Caroline Baldock, Epsom Equestrian Conservation Group),

8. DATES OF MEETINGS IN 2017

The Committee has previously requested that its future meetings be held in advance of a meeting of the Epsom and Walton Downs Conservators. It is suggested that the Committee agrees to hold its meetings in 2017 on two of the following dates:

Monday 13 or Monday 20 March 2017 at 18.00 hours

Monday 11 or Monday 18 September 2017 at 18.00 hours

Note: The dates for meetings of the Conservators for 2017 have not yet been set, but it is anticipated that they will be in January, April, June and October.

9. ITEMS FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE CONSERVATORS

To identify any items which the Committee wishes to be brought to the attention of the Conservators at their next meeting, and nominate a spokesperson to present them if appropriate.