VPR A Newsletter 2nd June 2023.

Round Table Meeting.

Following the publicity generated locally which tied in with the press release by our MP. Invites have been issued for a meeting between representatives of the MoJ/Wessex Water/Wiltshire Council/Environment Agency and the VPRA. The meeting is planned to take place at the New Pavillion on the 9th June 2023 yet to be confirmed with the objective of seeking a way forward to resume and complete the works leading to adoption.

VG and pre-adoption works.

You’ll recall that the contractors had removed the track from the VG due to ongoing hire fees as reported during March. Following on from that, during May we reported that the MoJ having confirmed lack of authority for site use on the VG intended the removal of equipment and re-instatement of the VG.

Following subsequent discussions with the agent and the overarching MoJ contractor we are told that the MoJ in the absence of the trackway have to deliberate how to practically access the site for removal of the cabins etc. and to determine in the absence of trackway what options exist for access for residents, commercial and emergency vehicles when pre-adoption works resume.

Forthcoming VPRA AGM.

In a near return to normality following covid/lockdowns and its aftermath which caused yet another postponement last year with repeat visits of that less than welcome virus and other illness to members of the committee it is time for a long awaited AGM.

We look upon these past events with a mix of feelings and one of those is that as a committee we managed to function and be quorate despite the obvious obstacles and continued to get things done, including maintaining pressure on the MoJ.

For the purists out there we are aware that from an admin perspective covid created an unwelcome hiatus. Our time frame for this AGM is based on the last year’s postponement. Our constitution allows a 15-month pause so we are content that calling this AGM fulfils the obligations of our constitution so that you enjoy a further episode of the VPRA.

As a heads up for your diaries, this is planned for the 4th July 7pm at the New Pavillion and formal notice of the AGM along with related papers will be sent out nearer the date.

If you have queries, please let me know; des742@live.co.uk.

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