

# MINUTES OF SWANSEA CANAL SOCIETY ZOOM MEETING

## 3 August 2021

### Present:

G Walker            J Gwalter            M Davies            A Pugh  
M Fuller            A Ellis            Mrs S Ellis            C Reed  
Mrs G Thomas    Mrs V Fuller        A Tremlett            D Rooke  
S Todd

1. Apologies: L Willicome, Mike Clarke, Sue Ellis,

2. The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

#### 3. Treasurers Report

- a. The overall financial position of the society has not changed significantly since the last month.
- b. On checking the account signatory list with the bank, the current signatories are GW, MD, GT and JG. MF to be added and MD to be removed. One further signatory is required. AT Volunteered.
- d. Email currently all going to JG then passed out to relevant person. It was suggested that the info account should go to the secretary, and additional email addresses should be created for Canoes and 225. It was decided to start with the moving of the info address to MF.
- f. The society phone is to be looked at again and reported on at the next meeting.

#### 4. Education Officers Report

- a. Had good feedback from the schools.

#### 5. Grants and Funding

- a. £500 received from Welsh Water
- b. Grant being applied for Hidden Lock site. Patrick Moss has done some work on the site. Once the plans have passed Swansea Council then the site can be opened up. Telephone call during the meeting to say the Brilliant Basics grant of £128K has been approved.

#### 6. Canoe Hire

- a. Canoe Wales unfortunately have cancelled the she paddles but the U Girls will run in the afternoons for the next four weeks.
- b. The canoe hire is moving more towards a Host and Hire for people like U Girls. Would it be better to just give them a key so they can run the event themselves? JG to check the insurance.

#### 7. Clydach Lock.

- a. Good news re the funding.
- b. Patrick Moss to put the drawing forward to Swansea Council for planning permission.

#### 8. Coed Gwilym Slipway.

- a. Everything ready to go except for a signature from CRT.
- b. Footpath diversion has to go through planning procedures.
- c. Contractors will be hired to move some of the rubble and dirt from the hidden lock to Coed Gwilym Park to fill in for the new roadway. This will cost approx. £4K. Approved by the Trustees.

#### 9. Hebron Road.

- a. Skip filled, building cleared. Cost £300 + VAT
- b. There will be an asbestos meeting tomorrow.
- c. The engineers are happy that the building can take the weight of the new roof.

#### 10. SC225

- a. Mrs VF, Mrs GT and AT have been to see people at Abercraf. These are the Happy Helpers. It is anticipated that a group of SCS personnel will attend the Abercraf fete to meet more personnel and have a look at the sluice gate which constitutes the start of the canal.
- b. CRT visiting the Clydach Heritage Centre on 9<sup>th</sup> August.
- c. CR happy to assist with the historical aspects of the projects.

#### 11. Work Parties.

- a. Next week in Coed Gwilym Park.

#### 12. WRG Sumer Camp.

- a. No summer camp this year.

#### 13. Web site and social media

- a. Nothing further to report.

#### 14. AOB

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| <p>a. Steve Hughes Book is nearing final editing, but the copyright of some of the images has been brought into question. Steve is to be advised as to the copyright, hopefully by the end of August.</p> <p>b. The book ready for Christmas 2021 is looking iffy. It may be better to await the 225 anniversary.</p> <p>c. The thesis written by CR in 1995 lists all the heritage monuments for tourism, cycling etc. The Bridges were originally named after farms.</p> |  |
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15. DONM.

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September at 1900 in the Vardre Rugby Club.

*Signed on Original*

M FULLER  
Secretary