

## **Portlethen edible trail meeting**

**10<sup>th</sup> August 2017**

**Present:** Ed Garrett, Helen Young, Ken Watson, Carolyn Lamb

**Apologies:** Nikki Lorimer, Bernie Dawks, Fraser Govan

### **1. Update**

Ed reported that the gardening group had been working hard at the railway station. Ken confirmed that there are edibles ready to pick. Carolyn suggested a photo for future funding applications.

Ken reported that the hedges on the lane at the back of the community woodland have been cut back with an effect on the brambles etc but it doesn't seem this happens that often.

Helen said that she had done some planting of wild pollinators but weather had been awful so not many people came. More planting is planned.

Carolyn suggested Graham McCall, the active schools link in Portlethen, should be kept informed of the trail as there could be good connections here.

### **2. Lead organisation**

Ken said that the sports hub already coordinates various walks and trails in the area so it would make sense for them to lead on the development of the trail. This would involve working with the steering group and looking at funding options.

Ken to check that terms of constitution allow the sports hub to take on this role and check with the committee.

### **3. Funding**

Carolyn said that some funding may be available through the Health Improvement Fund. It was agreed that this could be used to pay for some initial leaflets/maps. Carolyn to ask NHS graphics team to draft some logo/branding options which could be used by all the trails in K and M, alongside their own individual branding. These drafts to be discussed with the 3 trails.

Ed said there may be other funding options which could be bid for by all 3 trails together, including the Climate Challenge Fund.

#### **4. Signage/information boards**

It was agreed that this could be quite expensive. Ken to see if the Men's Shed might be able to create some frames and Helen to talk to council about producing the information to go in the frames.

#### **5. Health centre**

Carolyn said that there is to be a networking lunch event at the health centre on 28<sup>th</sup> August. Ken said that he would see if someone from the sports hub could make it to the event as it might be an opportunity to promote the hub and the trail.

#### **6. Date of next meeting**

To be organised