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MINUTES OF THE VERDERERS' GRAZING SCHEME MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 6th FEBRUARY 2023

Present:

Lord Manners (OV)

- Official Verderer

Mr R Deakin (RD)

- Elected Verderer

Mr Clive Chatters (CC)

- Natural England Appointed Verderer

Mr Dave Readhead (DR) Mrs T Woodley (TW) - Elected Verderer - VGS Administrator

Item	Item	Action
1. Apologies	None	
2. Declarations of interest	RD declared membership of the VGS. RD member of the New Forest Livestock Society. RD member of the New Forest Stallion Syndicate RD member of the New Forest Pony Breeders and Cattle Society. RD committee member of the CDA CC is secretary for HIWWT and Trustee and Council member of the NFA	
Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising	The purpose of this additional meeting was to discuss the correspondence received from the NFCDA in relation to the future funding of Verderers Grazing projects during the 5- year HLS extension. TW to reply to NFCDA answering their concerns and requests.	Action TW
4. VGS Consultative Panel	The VGS Committee discussed the impact of the reduction in BPS to the number of cattle depastured and elected to convene a focused consultative group to review the Verderers Grazing Scheme going forward. The panel should include; The existing 4 members of the VGS Management Committee 2 representatives nominated by the NFCDA A representative from Forestry England A representative from Natural England	
	Meeting date suggested for Wed 8th March. 2.30 pm Kings House Annexe. TW to contact CDA, FE & NE to confirm attendance.	Action TW



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5. Replacement of HLS Assets.	5 x Livestock Trailers and 1 Flatbed trailer are due for replacement. The HLS board and VGS committee agreed to the funding of replacement trailers. TW to contact suppliers for demonstration trailer to be delivered and agree on trade in values for the existing trailers.	Action TW
6. Date for next Meeting	June 2023 – WED June 14 th 2pm November 2023 – WED Nov 22 nd 2pm	
	Meeting closed 16.00	

T Woodley VGS Administrator

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