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Subject: Cormonachan Woodlands Association Members Update No: 10

To: All Members of the Cormonachan Woodlands Association

Members Update

1) The last Cormonachan Woodlands Association Committee Meeting was held on 16th May 2016.

The Minutes now appear on the CWA website - History:-

http://www.cormonachan-woodlands.co.uk/history/history-minutes-of-meetings.html

The next CWA committee meeting will be on Monday 4th July 2016.

- **2)** Please look at the Association's Latest News page on its website on a regular basis http://www.cormonachan-woodlands.co.uk/news.html Also follow Cormonachan Woodlands on Facebook too...
- 3) The next "Make a Difference" Volunteers Day will be on:-

Sunday, 29th May 2016 from 10.00 to 13.00 hrs.

We plan to clear more areas of the paths; do some bracken bashing with our new special long handled tools and clear the proposed car park area for the marquee ready to be erected for the Open Day and AGM on 12th June 2016. If you can come, would you e-mail the Secretary before the event so we will have an idea as to how many volunteers will be attending please. If you have a first aid certificate we would like to know this too.

4) The plans for the extended car park at Cormonachan Woodlands have now been drawn up and approved by the committee and are currently being submitted to the Loch Lomond & Trossachs National Park Planning Authority for planning permission. We have a good quotation for the work at to be done costing about £4,000 including VAT and are now looking for

funding and donations to be able to proceed with the proposed car cark once planning permission is obtained that should be by July 2016. Can you help with a donation towards this work, as small or large ones will help us to achieve the result...

- **5)** May we remind our members that our first year of operation ends on 31st May 2016 and that the new membership year commences on 1st June 2016 when we hope you will renew your membership renewal forms are available on the website on the Latest News page. The membership fees pay for the running of the Association. The Association is run entirely by volunteers on the committee and no one gets paid. We currently have 40 paid up and free members (32 individual local residents (£10), 4 Associates (£5) & 1 Corporate member (£50) plus 3 free Children Members. A third have already renewed their membership for 2016/2017 that is greatly appreciated.
- **6)** The AGM of the Association will be in Cormonachan Woodlands on Sunday, 12th June 2016 at 12.30 in the marquee in the woodlands car park. This will also be an Open Day with the following programme:-

Open Day Programme (No entry charge)

- 10.00 Cormonachan Woodlands Information Display
- 10.30 Craft Displays on use of a Pole Lathe, Shaving Horse and Spoon Making
- 12.30 Association's Annual General Meeting
- 13.30 Barbeque Lunch small charge in aid of funds for the car park
- 14.30 Squirrel Trail Treasure Hunt for Children Guided Walk around Cormonachan Woodlands
- 15.00 Members 'Have-a-Go' at volunteering; bracken bashing & other tasks that are done in the woodlands

Parking will be close by, a short walk back from south of the TV aerial entrance that is about 3 miles from Lochgoilhead and 2 miles from Carrick Castle. This is why we need a bigger car park!

7) The Association will have a stand again using the marquee at the Loch Goil Gala Day on Saturday, 30th July 2016.

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