NFAF meeting 37 on 8th September 2014.

Paper 37/2

<u>HCC Small Grants Scheme meeting on 12th August 2014 report.</u> There were 8 new applications for £12,340.

There were three applications from the NFAF area.

Two were from Brockenhurst Parish Council for resurfacing 2 footpaths; one across Culverley Green, which is Forestry Commission land, and one parallel to the Burley Road

1) The <u>Culverley Green</u> footpath improvements (total project cost £3620) were approved in principle, but there was a request for a wider specification -1.5 metres, and some information was not included and needed clarification.

2) The footpath along the <u>Burley Road</u> (total project cost £2692) was deferred for more information.

3) The Lymington and Pennington Town Council proposal is for a project (total cost \pounds 7,706) to resurface and drain 250 metres of FP22, from the Undershore Road to the Burrard Neale monument, which is part of the Solent Way. The footpath is also very overgrown. This is part of a larger project 'Burrard Neale 250 - Awakening memories of a forgotten New Forest naval hero,' which aims to restore the surrounding area and renovate the grade II listed monument in time for the 250th anniversary of Admiral Sir Harry Burrard Neale 1765 – 1840.

The committee felt that this was a project worth supporting, but again there was a need for more information – approved in principle.

Alison Perry, Area Countryside Access Manager at HCC has replaced Sarah Manchester as the chairman of the SGS panel.

SGS has been granted funding of £49,000 for the year 2014-2015

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