

**Dargle Conservancy Minutes
Committee Meeting
2 June 2014**

Present	Apologies
Barry Downard	Bridgette Bolton
Nikki Brighton	
Robin Barnsley	
Ashley Crookes Jennifer Pretorius Brandon Powell	

Minutes		Action
1. Nature Reserve MCF-BSP	NB and Paul van Uytrecht, with guidance from Greg Martindale (EKZNW), have made proposed changes to the DC constitution to remove clauses pertaining to the DNR.	NB
2. Dassie relocation	Nothing further.	
3. Alien Plants	Mike Farley to follow up with landowners, following an initial lukewarm response. DC committee probably needs to contact individual landowners to encourage them to engage with Mike. WWF Water Balance Programme has started at van Bremen's, followed by Brigadoon, Wakecroft and Zuvuya. NB to inform landowners.	NB
4. Liaison with KZNCA and other conservancies	AGM on the 15 th . BD was unable to attend. Congratulations to NB for her award. DC to host an MCF Roadshow on 7 November, at The Cairn. Agreed to budget R1000 for catering, to be done by JP. Rosetta & Nottingham Road people came to to discuss the establishment of a conservancy in their area. NB & BD met with them at The Cairn.	JP
5. Living Local	Nothing further.	
6. Committee tasks and portfolios	Sue Harms – Treasurer has resigned.	
7. Finances: treasurers report (Clive)	Agreed that NB reimburse herself for the purchase of gifts for the AGM. NB to send updated membership list to members. All to consider potential options for how to resolve the Treasurer/bookkeeper issue. RB to approach Pam Smit? RB to discuss with LRFPA. Change of signatories to be done once the bookkeeper issue has been resolved. NB to follow up with Culverwell & Co re 2014 AFS. Bank Balances as 2 June 2014: Current account: R10 202.98 Call Account: R56 330.83	NB RB NB
8. Communications	Bridgette Bolton to produce the next newsletter. Thank you, Bridgette. BD to design branding for Get-Togethers and LRC insertion.	NB BD

9. Membership Programme (Nikki)	Tracks & Scats walk 14 June. RB to follow up with Ian Guthrie for talk on grassland management. Kevin Barnsley has suggested a fire talk series in autumn 2014 (March/April). RB to follow up please. RB to arrange an alien clearing demo again for spring. AC movie nights at Everglades. Gillie Robartes to host movie nights at Hebron Haven. 21 st September Nature Reserve Walk. NB proposed another group hike up Inhlosane. Brandon to consider arrangements for a spring walk (October?). Movie "Winged Migration" fund raiser for the Crane Foundation at The Barn. JL and Gillie Robartes to plan. Brandon to approach Jason Londt to speak on invertebrates.	NB RB RB AC BP JP BP
10. Development monitoring	Follow up on Southdowns proposal. BD to register as I&AP. Agreed need to engage with proposed PMB bypass road. BD to register as I&AP.	BD RB
11. Membership management & Recruitment	RB to speak with the Smits. BP to speak with Beere's. BP to speak with Jilly Nelson.	ALL
12. Education	All arranged as per last month's minutes.	
13. Wildlife Camera traps	AC to control the distribution and monitoring of camera logistics. BD to help.	BD AC

14. AGM 2014	NB to send out minutes of the AGM.	NB
15. Dargle River	DUCT starting River Custodians Project, and the Dargle River has been selected, however, funding received is insufficient to include the Dargle River.	
16. DC liaison with Lions River Club	BD to design a standard template with DC branding for inclusion in their newsletter to publicise DC events/news	BD
17. Constitution revisions	RB raised the issue of limitations on actions taken by the committee. Possibly the issue of the committee taking on debt cannot happen without membership approval? NB to circulate the new proposed constitution. RB to review and make suggestions.	RB NB

Next meeting dates: July 21st, September 15th, November 24th, January