Norfolk Local Access Forum

Report title:	Pathmakers projects
Date of meeting:	3 April 2019
Responsible Chief Officer:	Steve Miller – Assistant Director, Culture and Heritage

Strategic impact

Pathmakers Charitable Incorporated Organisation is the charitable arm of the Norfolk Local Access Forum. Each of the NLAFs subgroups includes a Pathmakers trustee member.

Executive summary

An update on Pathmakers is provided for the full NLAF membership

Recommendations:

That the NLAF:

- (i) notes changes to the Pathmakers constitution (charitable purposes, number of trustees)
- (ii) notes updates on LIFT OFF, Paving the Way and Community Friends Walks and offers support for Pathmakers ongoing work
- (iii) members adopt a simple online time recording system to record their time volunteered for the NLAF

1. Proposal (or options)

1.1. One Pathmakers meeting took place since the last NLAF meeting (see **Appendix 1** for minutes).

Key points arising from this meeting were:

- (i) there were two trustee resignations.
- (ii) the 3 terms of appointment for 3 current trustees (excluding resignations) had expired
- (iii) a protocol and timetable for appointment of 'nominated' trustees (those appointed by the NLAF) had been drafted (subject to checking by NPLAW)

This is presented to the NLAF for their agreement in a separate report. For reference, the Pathmakers constitution is available here: https://tinyurl.com/y45dkcz9

- (iv) an alteration to Pathmakers charitable purposes widening the geographical area covered was agreed by the trustees. (**Appendix 2**)
- (v) the trustees agreed to increase the number of trustees on the board to 10 (from 8). These 2 extra trustees would be 'appointed' trustees i.e. appointed directly by Pathmakers (not the NLAF) see Pathmakers constitution
- (vi) Pathmakers had received funding for LIFTOFF from the European Social Fund with a total project budget of £69,791.40. The project will enable small or medium-size rural businesses offer work experience, work trials and internships (Lift trials) to improve their recruitment and employment practices for those who might face barriers to finding work in the environmental sector
- (vii) Pathmakers had applied for £30,000 from the HLF for Paving the Way to improve Pathmakers resilience through a programme of learning visits, strengthening governance and investment in trustee skill development
- (viii) Pathmakers received an update on the Geovation project Community

Friends Walks, which will prepare the way for developing a smartphone app to encourage people find local walking routes

(ix) A simple time recording system was agreed for the recording of trustee time spent on LIFTOFF (an important part of 'in-kind' payment by Pathmakers on the project) – see https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/NLAFandPATHMAKERSTIME/

2. Evidence

- 2.1. Please see proposal
- 3. Financial Implications
- 3.1. None as a result of this report
- 4. Issues, risks and innovation
- 4.1. None as a result of this report
- 5. Background
- 5.1. Please see proposal

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