Notes from the Battle Health Pathway meeting on 29th March 2021

Present: Sue Burton, Vikki Cook, Dale Wheeler, Glenna Favell

Apologies: Carol Harris

Notes from last meeting

None

Funding

No update. Step Up Sports Consultancy has sent a spreadsheet to CH. All funding can be claimed from Sport England except for:

£1816.89 for the purchase of stock bikes and helmets, which will not go ahead £3,950 that may be used for some robust planting instead of laying artificial turf.

Funds have been received from BLAP.

There is £1,656 in the budget for picnic tables, but will not be ordered until discussed with CH.

Pathway

Thornes are aware that the signage on a bollard remains outstanding.

It was agreed to monitor the no-dig path to see if the soil settles and the grass grows up through the mesh in order that the path is no longer muddy in wet weather. A decision can then be made next year. Stones may need to be used to fill the mesh if the mud persists.

CSA

Activation monitoring has started.

SB and GF will consider suitable planting to enhance safety and aesthetics.

Soft Planting

The Sensory Garden is being planted this week.

It was agreed that a wooden plaque would be unobtrusive in the Taste Garden, so GF will ask JdG how much it would cost. Wording along the lines of:

TASTE GARDEN

This area is planted with fruit and nuts to provide food for wildlife. You are welcome to taste it. Funded by Rother Environmental Group

Publicity & Opening video

VC will write an article for the Members' Bulletin (Rother District Council) and send a draft to Working Group. VC will liase with Kristina (RDC, Environment Manager) for further publicity by RDC. GF will ask DTC/TDO if a YouTube account could be set up for the video to be uploaded. It can then be linked to BTC/RDC/BHP etc.

SB declared the Pathway open. BTC will be asked to do press release to this effect. SB has supplied BTC list of funders to be named.

Date of next meeting

it was agreed that further meetings were not required. Any outstanding issues could be dealt with on an ad hoc basis.