

DARGLE CONSERVANCY

Action Plan Minutes of Committee Meeting held at the St Ives Boma on 15th August 2024 at 18h00

Present: Ashley Crookes, Belinda Charlton, Kevin Barnsley, Mike Corlett, Gilly Robartes

Apologies: Lynne Garbutt

<ul style="list-style-type: none">The minutes of the last meeting held in June 2024, have been distributed and taken as read.	AC
Items carried forward from previous minutes:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">none	BC
Boston and Karkloof fires	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">KB met with municipality, turned out well although it started as a political issue.Biosphere reserve in the Umngeni area with a biodiversity plan.Mayor requesting better application of the law against poaching.	KB
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Rural agricultural sector is under pressure from Water and Sanitation board to comply and show improvement.	KB
P134 road signs	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Quote for the 4 road signs to go up has been received, members have given the go ahead.This is to include sponsorship signs, but Ashley to confirm with Kevin.	KB AC
Finances	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Current bank balances: Current account: R20,342.37 Money Market account: R89,610.63	LG
Member Programme	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talks for 2024 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 24 January - Cape Parrot Talk (Prof Colleen Downs) ○ 14 February – Butterflies (Clive Curtis) ○ 27 March - Vultures (Brent Coverdale) ○ 27 April – Frog talk (Kirsty Kyle) ○ 29 May –Galapogos Islands (David Johnson) ○ 26 June – AGM ○ 31 July –Pangolin talk (Nicci Wright) ○ 21 Aug – “The Growing Threat of Wildlife Poisoning” (Tim Snow) ○ 21,22nd Sept Shannon Nature of Art event (DC provide banner) ○ Oct – Kids Scavenger Hunt at iNhlosane Mountain/Mount Park Guest Farm (Julia Invernizzi) ○ 16th Oct –Talk by Pat McKrill on snakes- include 4 local school visits on 16th and 17th (Gilly and Belinda) ○ 27th Nov – David Johnson “Life Story” (Gilly) ○ Adam Riley for 29 January 2025? (Kevin) ○ John Roff Nature Walk Jan/Feb 2025 (limited to groups of 20) 	All
General	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request for more mountain bike trails and rides in the Dargle. From Old Camp towards Impendle. • Mike to chat to Paul Renken and Bray Hyland at Old Camp about this. • Mike is then happy to run with and manage the DC cycling club. • Hebron Haven feedback with Kerry and Roy after the last talk outlined the need for better management and for staff to show initiative when food is ready. • Complaints need to be forwarded to Ashley, the chairman, who addresses them with Kerry and Roy. • Mike Corlett has resigned from the committee, stating that he is unable to give of his best, given his circumstances. 	MC
<p>There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 19h10. Next Committee meeting will be held on Tues, 26th November 2024.</p>	AC