

## **Friends of the Millennium Greenway 2017 AGM**

We really hope you will be able to come to the 2017 AGM with seasonal refreshments to be held on **Saturday 2 December between 10 am and 12 noon at New Scene Youth Centre** i.e. the blue pavilion on Lime Tree Fields off Newton Lane, Chester CH2 2HH. **RSVP via the email on this site for catering purposes please.**

**There are some important decisions to be made (please see below). We are also accepting nominations for Chair and Secretary as Catherine and David would like to take a break.**

After the 21 January 2018 meeting when Woodland Management Training will again be offered by a Sustrans ecology expert, Sustrans will no longer be able to support us on a monthly basis by bringing tools, sign in sheets and taking away the rubbish. Instead tools will be available in the new container by Brook Lane Bridge. The committee has three proposals which we would like you to think about before discussion at the AGM:

### **Option 1: Carry on meeting on the 3rd Saturday of the Month using Sustrans tools**

- a. Who will hold the key for the container and bring communal tools to the agreed meeting point for use by the volunteers and then return them to the container at the end of the morning? Unless shared, this would need to be a regular monthly commitment. This would extend the time commitment of that volunteer. This person would also need to bring the risk assessment and sign in sheet. Who will take responsibility for ensuring someone will show up with the tools?
- b. Who will contact the Council at the end of these mornings to tell them where the rubbish has been left?

### **Option 2: Carry on meeting on the 3rd Saturday of the Month using our own tools and rubbish bags (or those provided by the Greenway Friends but kept at our own homes)**

- a) Are all the volunteers willing to sign a disclaimer to say that all work is undertaken at their own risk OR sign up as a Sustrans volunteer?
- b) Who is prepared to contact the Council at the end of these mornings to tell them where the rubbish has been left?

### **Option 3: Stop meeting on Saturdays**

With Options 1 and 2, Colin Watson has agreed to design a work programme for the year and provide a set of risk assessments.

The Greenway Friends have been going for over 17 years and contribute to community life through friendship, exercise and improving the environment.

**Please use the email on this site before the AGM if you have any other suggested options.**

**Looking forward to seeing you on Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>.**