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From: Allan Fail [mailto:Allan.Fail@scottishwater.co.uk]

Sent: 13 November 2007 11:16

To: niall

Subject: RE: Carron valley path

Niall,

Thanks for this. I'll make some enquiries with our reservoir engineers. I'm keen to avoid restarting the whole process again, but recent experience with similar paths at reservoirs has been that its quicker in the long run to make sure all our people are fully aware and happy with what is proposed and with construction designs and methods etc.

Regards

Allan Fail

From: niall [mailto:niallt@

Sent: Tue 13/11/2007 10:51

To: Allan Fail

Subject: RE: Carron valley path

Hi Allan

As I recollect there were 3 issues:

- 1. The general principle of using SW land for recreational paths (subject to SEPA regs and SW final approvals) In this regard I believe Geoff established there was no problem in principle and this was done at the very outset of SW involvement.
- 2. The principle of using the old aqueduct. In this regard Geoff made preliminary enquiries and I was then contacted by on of the engineers from SW Balmore office who knew Carron well. I described where this was on the phone, he went up and checked then called me back and said we could use it no problem as it was defunct (his words)
- 3. The principle of using the surfaced path from the SW gate below the dam to the gate adjacent to the dam. Geoff checked this and came back to tell me the "road" wasn't technically on SW land. By the same token I think FC consider everything West of the fence line at the trees to be on SW land. So, we agreed between ourselves that the road was theoretically in a "titular no mans land." As Dave hopefully explained, the only changes planned would be to scrape the vegetation off the top and resurface with fines. The steeper section after the turn towards the dam would require one or possibly two switchbacks to lessen the gradient however these would only cut back East inside FC land. Essentially no material would be removed and no construction works would impinge beyond the West side of the road. We'd also envisaged relocation of the current gate (through 90 degrees North) and the establishment of a fence along the

entire West side of the road up to the dam and I'm sure SW would insist on this anyway. It would also be good if some tree screening / Beech hedge or similar could be used as a longer term solution.

I'll see if I can trace any emails from the SW engineer but I think it was all done over the phone.

Hope this helps

Niall

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Sent: 13 November 2007 10:01

To: niall

Subject: Carron valley path

Niall,

I wonder if you can assist. Further to meeting on site with the partners on Friday I am trying to clarify within SW where we are as regards signoff for construction of the path from the foot of the dam , along part of the southside and over the old aqueduct. Geoff Brown had some discussion with local ops but no formal signoff that the work could go ahead . He recalls that you had met with someone from SW possibly from assets. Can you recall this and if there was anything agreed at that stage.

Thanks

Allan Fail

Estates Coordinator

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