

### Sub Group of Duchess Wood Local Nature Reserve

<p><b>Objectives of the sub group</b></p>	<p>To update or rewrite the Duchess Wood Teachers' Resource Pack.</p> <p>Discussion took place around what was the best way to move this forward and the following action points were identified and allocated to a member of the group present.</p> <p>It is hoped that the vision or ideas for the resource document would be altered to meet current changes in the curriculum which have been brought in as a result of the Curriculum for Excellence.</p> <p>Charlie Cairns had e-mailed his apologies but had indicated that he still intended to look into the production of a generic education pack for local greenspaces, and would hope that there may be some cross benefit in this for Duchess Wood. And, also, he wanted to find out if the sub group thought this would be something of interest to them.</p>
	<p>Alastair to contact David Robertson (who was involved in the initial resource document) from the Forestry Commission to find out if there is a member from their organisation who would be able to sit on and give advice on the updating/development of the resource document.</p>
	<p>Eileen to e-mail all schools in the Helensburgh and Lomond area to invite a representative from the school to take part in the sub group. Eileen will also e-mail the link on the Duchess Wood website so that anyone who may be interested can access the teacher resources document before the meeting.</p>
	<p>Gemma will contact Fiona Hughes of Rhu Primary who was involved in the development of the initial resource document.</p>
	<p>Eileen will check the electronic copy of the document to make sure that it is the same as the paper copy Alastair brought to the meeting</p>
	<p>Veronique will look at the video which supports the resource document and feedback to the group her thoughts.</p> <p>It was also highlighted to Lomond School by Alastair that bird boxes which were scattered around Duchess Wood may need a bit of attention and it was suggested that the boxes had been supplied by Lomond School. VC will check with the National Park Ranger if this was the case.</p>
	<p>Eileen to e-mail Gemma and Veronique the photos which Alastair had forwarded to her regarding the work the Friends of Duchess Wood had been involved with some schools.</p>
<p><b>Update Friends of Duchess Wood</b></p>	<p>Stewart informed the group that there were a set of new way markers for the flower walk and that the friends were in the process of producing new information boards. He hoped that the way markers would be able to dovetail into the education resource document.</p> <p>Stewart also impressed how much value that the Friends placed on the school work that was carried out in Duchess Wood.</p>