

Friends of Ilkley Moor

Minutes of meeting held on 15 October 2008

Present: Roger Gook, Barry Wilkinson, Helen Kidman, Richard Perham, Mathew Argyle, Catherine Smith, Nick Rochford, Owen Wells, Norman Blackburn.

1. Apologies for Absence were received from Didy Metcalfe.
2. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 17 September 2008 were accepted.
3. Matters arising: A request was made that the plans for the improvements to the Lower Tarn should include more historic features.
4. Officer's Reports:
 - Chair: Attended a meeting re the proposed development of Cow and Calf café. Plans were presented for inspection and the meeting approved in principle.
Work had been done on change of FoIM to a charity.
A grant application to the Gannett foundation had been made.
A letter was sent supporting Bradford MDC's acceptance of the Sustainable Communities Act.
 - Treasurer: Reported that the FoIM website was now live and that the application to the Gannett Foundation was being prepared.
 - Membership Secretary: there have been no new members recently and membership stands at 142.
 - PR Officer: requested reports of any mentions of FoIM in the media.
5. Information Panel: the site was visited by Chair. It was agreed that further work on this would be held over until a project officer had been appointed.
6. Newsletter: OW will write the next edition..
7. Website Report: This is now live. An admin section is available to members. It is hoped to establish a picture library on the site for public use
8. Proposed development at Cow and Calf: This is proceeding and more information will become available.

9. Charitable Status: For acceptance by the Charity Commission, the existing FoIM constitution needs changes which would be ratified at the next AGM. The particular sections needing revision covers Objects, Dissolution and Amendments. These changes were agreed unanimously by the meeting in principle. The detailed changes will be circulated to all members for agreement.
10. Gannett Foundation bid: An application was being made for a grant and an answer is expected by Mid-November.
11. Appointment of Project Officer: An advertisement is to be drafted by Chair, Treasurer and Secretary.
12. AOB: Chair emphasised the need to avoid any sense of drift from the main objectives of FoIM. To this end Richard Perham was asked to provide plans for specific projects which would be visible to the public.
13. Date of next meeting: 19 November at 7.30pm in the Manor House Activity Room