

## Friends of Ilkley Moor

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 22 July 2009

At 5 Queens Gardens, Ilkley

Present - Owen Wells, Roger Gook, Barry Wilkinson, Tracy Gray, Nick Rochford, Helen Kidman, Andrew Walbank, Norman Blackburn, Catherine Smith, Richard Perham, Didy Metcalf

1. Apologies were received from Danny Jackson.
2. Minutes of last meeting were approved.
3. All matters arising are included below.
4. Officers reports:
  - a. Chair's report - apologised for no written report.
    - Ben Rhydding fete raised £85 by sale of bags
    - Production of Heritage walks should be given more time.
    - John Thirwell was suggested for voicing audio guide but was felt too expensive.
    - Paddling pool renovation - Richard to get cost.
    - Concerns were raised about the decision making process - all committee members should be included.
  - b. Treasurer's report - there had been good coverage in the Ilkley Gazette on the "million pound grant"
  - c. Membership Secretary reported a present membership of 157 with 49 new members.
  - d. PR Officer reported two good items in the Ilkley Gazette for the Tarn clearing and the grant. The film has not yet been started. B&B / Santander to be contacted for further publicity.
5. Project Officer Report had been circulated. A grant for a vehicle was being investigated. Design had been started for the visitor information panels. Future projects to include a greater focus on involvement with local schools.

6. Events Programme - The tarn clearing attracted 8 people and the flower walk 22. The rock carvings walk with Gavin Edwards was cancelled due to lack of interest.
7. Membership form - a draft design from Norman was presented. A print run was agreed, to be distributed with the Parish Newsletter in September.
8. Merchandise - two banners are to be ordered. Car stickers were felt to be too expensive at present. Calendars would be discussed next year when there would be more time. Barry to check with Booths for possible bag distribution/selling. Richard to investigate types of metal signs for display at moor access points.
9. Video - this had not yet been started. Barry to check progress.
10. Grants - there is a possibility of a further £50K.
11. Old Filter House - all non-native plants have been removed.
12. Website - there has been difficulty in making contact with webmasters. A meeting is to be set up.
13. AOB - The last meeting of Rombalds Moor Forum was poorly attended and there is some doubt over its future.
14. Next meeting will be on 9 September at Eaton Road, Ilkley