

Friends of Ilkley Moor

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 3 February 2010

At 5 Queens Gardens, Ilkley

Present: Owen Wells, Richard Perham, Barry Wilkinson, Roger Gook, Tracy Gray, Mike Atkinson, Didy Metcalf

1. Apologies received from Catherine Smith, Helen Kidman
2. Minutes of last meeting held on January 13 were accepted.
3. Matters arising: these to be covered later in this meeting.
4. Officers reports:
 - a. Chair: Mike Atkinson from Wharfedale Naturalists was welcomed.

It was felt that action against the infringements at the Pump House were not having any success and so should be discontinued.

More money should be spent on the Moor and the committee agreed to look at ways this could be achieved.

Names to be put forward for officer elections at the forthcoming AGM were needed.
 - b. Treasurer: none presented
 - c. Membership Secretary: 75 new members had joined through the mailshot to houses in Ilkley. Didy Metcalf was thanked for standing in while Norman was away.
 - d. PR Officer: Images have been loaded on to the website gallery in a high resolution format. Ilkley Gazette has agreed to publish some of these photos. A press release will be issued on the publication of the Events Programme. A stall will be organised at Ilkley Carnival on 3 May.
5. Project Officer Report - the report had been circulated and was noted. A Celebration Day is to be organised on 1st August from 11 - 4pm. The mid term valuation report will be dealt with at the next meeting.

6. Woodland sub-committee: a meeting has been held. A woodland overview is in progress. Bob Thorpe has undertaken to produce a management plan. A questionnaire is to be held at the AGM.
7. AGM Planning: This is being arranged for 16 April starting at 7.30. The venue to be Clarke Foley hall. Gavin Edwards to be invited as speaker. Barry to organise posters for display around town. Provision of refreshments to be investigated. Minutes of the last AGM to be circulated to all members together with the constitution and agenda. A notice is to be placed in the Gazette.
8. AOB: Natural England have surveyed the burnt area and request FoIM agreement to a temporary fence being erected. This was agreed providing reasonable access was maintained and the public was clearly informed of the reasons for the enclosure.
9. Date of next meeting: Wednesday 17 March.