

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE
'FRIENDS OF MOOR POND WOOD' HELD ON
FRIDAY 17th SEPTEMBER 2004 AT PAPPLEWICK VILLAGE HALL

In attendance:

Mr S Walker	Mrs M Hull
Mr L Scudder	Mr T Buttle
Mrs M Kerr	Mrs M Passey
Mrs D Townsend	Mrs C Hardstaff

Plus 13 members of the friends.

Apologies:

Ian Griffiths, Maureen & Tim Barker, John Townsend, Joyce Kendall, Pam Clark and the 5th Hucknall Scout Group.

Minutes of the 2003 AGM

One amendment to minutes was noted under Item 8 General Discussion. First Para: Should read: Holstein Cattle. Not Friesian.

Mrs Preston proposed acceptance, seconded by Mr R Hull and agreed.

Chairman's Report:

Stephen Walker gave his report, a copy of which was to be attached to the minutes.

Stephen answered questions and Margaret Kerr asked for a vote of thanks to be noted for all the hard work undertaken by the Chairman in the last 12 months.

Treasurers Reports:

- 1) Project Treasurers Report: Stephen circulated a copy of the year's accounts. In the absence of the responsible financial officer (Mrs P Clark) and offered to answer any questions. No questions asked.
- 2) 'Friends' Treasurers Report was given and a copy was to be attached to the minutes.

Election of officers:

Chairman explained the composition of the project steering committee and asked for nominations for officer's posts. None were received. Existing members were all re-elected as follows: Chairman - Mr S Walker. Project Treasurer – Post is vacant pending appointment of a new clerk to the parish council. Secretary - Mrs M Barker. Mrs Margaret Kerr, Mrs Diane Townsend and Mrs Margaret Passey as Friends representatives. Mrs Marguerite Hull as Treasurer for the friends.

Subscriptions:

It was agreed that these should remain unchanged at £1.00 per single member and £2.00 for a family or group membership.

General Discussion:

Ideas for future speakers was discussed and suggestions noted:

Heidi Jackson from Newstead Abbey.
National Trust or English Heritage.
British Gypsum (Re quarrying).
Stan Grainger from Rolls Royce.

Further ideas for work in the project were discussed. The need for more seating was mentioned and a discussion about interpretation panels and art work.

Dog fouling continues to be a problem. Permanent signage was discussed.

Grange Cottage Wood. The verge was discussed and resolutions suggested.

Future events were discussed:

Barn Dance

Future Workdays: 17th October the Archaeologist will be overseeing the excavation of the area nearest to the new footbridge. Once opened up the area will be made secure by a stonemason and the work left exposed. A video record and press coverage was suggested.

Display material to be shown in local libraries and schools was discussed

Levels of the water still need to be investigated by the Archaeologist for us to fully understand how the site worked. Aerial photographs of the site would help, and Rolls Royce may have some, but these are being catalogued, so no information available.

Suggested we look to Severn Trent for future funding on part of the project.

Next Meeting: Friday 29th October 2004. Ursula Spence the County Archaeologist will be the guest speaker.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm.