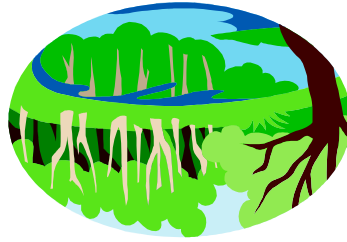


Moor Pond Wood Project, Papplewick



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE **'FRIENDS OF MOOR POND WOOD' HELD ON FRIDAY** **5th OCTOBER 2007 AT PAPPLEWICK VILLAGE HALL**

In attendance:

Mr A Adams
Mrs M Barker
Mr T Barker
Mr R Barton
Mr T Butler
Mrs C Hardstaff
Mrs M Kerr
Mr R Kerr
Mrs J Kendall
Mr J Lee
Mrs R Lee

Mr K Morton
Mrs P Morton
Mr N Penlington
Mr R Preston
Mrs V Preston
Mr L Scudder
Mrs C Tyack
Master R Walker
Mr S Walker
Mr C Womble

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received on behalf of Richard and Marguerite Hull, Richard Sheppard (archaeologist) Ursilla Spence (archaeologist) Carol Spencer, Diane Townsend and Joe Turner.

2. MINUTES OF THE 2006 MEETING

With a spelling correction Roy Preston proposed acceptance of the minutes, which was seconded by Keith Morton and agreed.

3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr Walker began his report by remembering Jean Carter a member who had died during the year.

He then went on to thank a number of people for their hard work and support throughout the year including the members of the Steering Committee; Mrs Barker who had indicated it would be her last year as Secretary to the Steering Committee and Marguerite Hull for all her work over several years as treasurer. He then introduce Mr Andy Adams the new Treasurer.

The Chairman then gave thanks to Margaret Kerr, the Vice Chairman, who had worked hard getting people to do what they did not want to do and to Lee Scudder and his Leen Valley Conservation volunteers without whose efforts the project would not get anywhere.

4. REPORTS ON THE PROJECT ACCOUNTS

Mr Walker called on the Friends' Treasurer, Mr Andy Adams to present his accounts first as follows:

- (b) Friends of Moor Pond Wood Account - A receipts and payments including balance sheet was circulated to members at the meeting. Mr Adams informed members that over the last two years the group's funds had diminished and a decision was needed as to how the group's funds could be increased. Mrs Spencer was thanked for auditing the accounts.
- (a) Parish Council Accounts - The Chairman spoke on the balance sheet and explained that although it had been agreed the previous year that the Parish Council's Moor Pond Wood accounts would be closed, it was not feasible until work funded by the Local Heritage grant was completed. However, by 2008 it was hoped the accounting would be simplified and funds transferred to the group.

Mr Kerr asked a question about the LHI funding and the transferring of funds between fund headings was discussed. Mrs Passey stated it was very complicated.

- (c) Subscriptions - Mr Adams the Friends Treasurer had recommended to the Steering Committee the subscription be raised from £2 to £3 for individual members and from £4 to £5 for groups. The Chairman reiterated the subscription was never intended to raise money but to provide a complete list of members for insurance purposes. The recommended increases in subscription rates were unanimously agreed.

Mr Adams pointed out an amendment was needed to the Constitution, in that it currently stated the accounts needed to be completed to the 31st March each year, whereas they had always been finalised to the 31st August each year for the AGM. It was unanimously agreed to amend the Constitution in this regard.

5. ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE

Mr Walker informed the meeting which members were on the committee and that they were willing to continue in their various roles. With no other members wishing to join the committee the existing members were unanimously re-elected.

On behalf of the Friends Mrs Kendall thanked the Steering Committee, and all those involved in running the project, for their hard work.

With no further business the AGM ended with refreshments and a general discussion.