

## NORTH DUFFIELD CONSERVATION AND LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 17 January 2017, 7; 30, North Duffield Village Hall.

1 We received apologies for absence from Val Witty, Maureen Fernyhough, Phyllis Holling and Tony Stevens.

2 The Minutes of the meeting held on 18 October 2016 were distributed and agreed as a true record.

3 Matters Arising:

- The archiving is still continuing; to date, 168 man-hours have been spent on this task. Many thanks to those who are involved.
- Gordon Taylor has been researching details of the Lordship of the Manor has tracked down the Will of Charles Wilson but couldn't find any further information. A visitor at the meeting suggested we try Ancestry UK .com. Selby library has a subscription to this, which might enable us to go further.
- Brian Elsey reported that Tony Stevens and he had attended the 950<sup>th</sup> Celebrations of the battle of Stamford Bridge and had a stall which raised some interest.
- Brian also reported that he had attended a workshop at the HQ at Leeds of the Heritage Lottery Fund concerning the new Ouse and Derwent Project. The project will involve excavations and associated fieldwork in North Duffield, Hemingbrough and Wheldrake. A number of planning meetings have already taken place and letters of support have been received from Dr Peter Halkon,(one of the foremost experts on Yorkshire Wolds Iron Age) John Oxley(York City Archaeologist) and Dr Mark Whyman(co-author of Yorkshire Research Frameworks-the definitive guide to future archaeological work in the County).

4 Correspondence Received.

- The Secretary explained that the new YWT membership cards we have recently received have the incorrect year printed on and YWT are to rectify this.

5 Update of finances to date.

- Bob Wells was not at the meeting so Brian Elsey gave this report. Money we have received is to go into our Heritage Lottery fund towards funding the Ouse & Derwent project.

6 Other business not included elsewhere.

An addendum to the Annual Report has been prepared by Brian Elsey; secretary to add this to Minutes/Agenda archive.

Our speakers were Brian and Maxine Birkett –who brought along Historical replicas and Living History. This was a very interesting hands-on session!

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 21 February 2017, 7:30 North Duffield Village Hall, when the speaker will be Ron Christian on the Battle of Towton and the Wars of the Roses.