

## NORTH DUFFIELD CONSERVATION AND LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 17 October 2017 at North Duffield Village Hall.

1 We received apologies for absence from 5 members and welcomed 2 new members, Judy and Peter. We were sorry to hear that Mr Carter is not well enough to continue attending the meetings.

2 The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 19/9/2017 were made available and were agreed as correct.

### 3 Matters Arising

- Brian Elsey reported on the dig that had taken place in Hemingbrough, which is part of the Southern Vale of York project. 260 man-days of volunteer work has been done; volunteers have included students, members of the Monday Club, various other groups and individuals. 6 trenches had been investigated and had yielded a ring ditch, a linear ditch, 2 round houses together, Iron Age pottery including patterned Samian ware, (approx 1<sup>st</sup> C AD): just 1 piece but very nice. Also found were some bones and a shoe which was possibly an Ox shoe. Altogether a very successful dig.
- JBH is to contact Mark Lumby at NYCC Area 7 Highways to ask about planting the oak saplings.
- Tony Stevens has passed on historical information about Skipwith to Janet Patrick. Tony also reported that the bulb planting was in hand.

### 4 Correspondence

- None received.

### 5 Finances

- Yorkshire Wildlife Trust Subscription of £50.00 is now due; payment agreed; proposed Brian Elsey and seconded John Ellwood.

### 5 Other business not included elsewhere.

- The Secretary, who is also a Parish Councillor, gave an update on current Planning Applications in the village. The development off York Road, ref 2017/0555/OUTM for up to 45 dwellings has been refused. The previous application for this site was also refused but is possible going to Appeal. The Secretary commented that it seemed strange that a larger development might be allowed after appeal, but a smaller one refused.
- The Chairman reminded members that the next meeting on Tuesday November 21 2017 would be the AGM. He is willing to stand again as Chairman.

Our speaker this evening was our own member, Mark Simpson, who gave us an illustrated talk about the wall paintings in Pickering Church.