

North Duffield Conservation and Local History Society
Archaeology North Duffield

Minutes of the Meeting held on the 15th September 2015

Apologies for Absence There were apologies from Bob Wells-Treasurer, Connie Bolton, Deirdre Busfield, Maureen Fernyhough, and Elaine Wells.

Present:-

John Ellwood –Chairman, Tony Stevens -Secretary. Jean Apperly, Joyce Bains-Holgate, Rodger Carter, Beryl Clayton, Brian Elsey, Margaret Gibson, Ron Hayward, Phyllis Holling, Winnie Kraft, David McSherry, Roberta Pullen, Mark Simpson, Rhonda Wells, Jean Wilkinson, Val Witty and three visitors from Riccall, including their new secretary.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of 21st April were distributed and accepted as correct.

Matters arising

Brian reported that the building of 35 new houses near Springfield farm behind the houses on the west of Green Lane was likely to go ahead.

He also reported that the planning application for 80 new houses behind and alongside the Methodist Chapel on the south side of the A163 Selby/Market Weighton road had been rejected by Selby District Council

Treasurers report

Bob sent a list of the state of the accounts as follows;

Conservation and Local History.....	£1572.38
Archaeology North Duffield.....	£651.90
Heritage Lottery Fund.....	£0.00
Finds Analysis set aside.....	£200.00

Any Other Business

Brian gave a report on the final part of the three year archaeology project. He had brought to the meeting two trays of the most significant finds of worked flints approximately 7000 years old from the Neolithic Stone Age and many pieces of early Iron Age Pottery. Most impressive was a part pot from C13th/14th he had constructed from several sherds found in the pit at "Sunnyside" down Priest Lane off Main Street.

He had also brought the book of the project of which we had 400 copies for sale at £12.50 each.

He reported on the visits to the roundhouse by Wilberfoss School, Burton Salmon Primary School and North Duffield Primary School. He said that the visits had been a great success and from the feedback from the teachers and children it was obvious that everyone had enjoyed themselves.

He said that we had been booked for a visit by Camblesforth School later in September.

Brian also reported on the recent Big Village Dig and Big School Dig.

John proposed a vote of thanks to Brian and Tony for all the work they had put into the project.

John said that we needed now to concentrate on the book of the history of North Duffield. That project had stalled and some of the items would have to be updated. He volunteered to contact the people who had written the relevant articles. He asked if Brian Burgess could be approached to organise all the pictures integral with the text. Brian said that "Quicks" the printer preferred to have a text file separate from a picture file. It was decided to go ahead anyway. Maybe we could present both styles.

A meeting was arranged to take place at Park House Farm at 1.30pm on 22nd October.

Tony had purchased four large bags of Daffodil and Narcissus bulbs to plant on the grass verge on the north side of the road to Bubwith. Several members volunteered to plant on the 22nd September at 1.30 pm.

Speaker

Our speaker was Sam Taylor who gave a very humorous and interesting talk on Epitaphs.