

REPORT ON THE TRUSTEES' MEETING JUNE 2016

The 46th meeting of the Trustees of Beckford Nature Reserve took place on 15TH June 2016. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed by Geoff Stringer. Geoff expressed the concern of the Trustees about the vandalism that had occurred on the Reserve. This has ranged from the removal of tree guards and canes from the old hide and removal of tree guards from the boundary saplings. More seriously has been vandalism near the SSSI which has been repaired and some balloons have been found on a bag in the lake. While these are relatively minor it is a waste of the Conservation Warden's time to have to clear up and replace missing guards. Hopefully by being more vigilant we can reduce the instances of such mindless behaviour.

There are some ongoing tasks that will take place once the nesting period is over. The dead trees need removing and the wire fencing need tightening. Grass cutting and general clearing will take place in the autumn. It was good to hear that some interest had been expressed in the Treasurer's post and it is to be hoped that a new person can be in post before too long.

The AGM is planned for October and the proposed date is Friday 7th October.