

MINUTES OF A DALES WAY ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEETING

The meeting took place at 1.30pm on Sunday 13th July, 2003 at 67, Grove Road, Ilkley.

Present: Colin ^{Speakman} Smith, David Smith, Chris Musson, Ken and Margaret Staines, Pat Hickman, Pauline Robertshaw, Douglas Cossar and Alex McManus.

Apologies: Rita Smith.

Minutes of last meeting which was the AGM were agreed to be a true record.

Arising from the Minutes: Speakman Gemmel Guide: the book is to be re-published, they would be grateful for any help from us to update it. The Committee agreed to take this on. Douglas 'delegated' the walks and will send out a list to everyone to avoid any walk being duplicated. Douglas would like the amendments by the beginning of December. Colin said he was due a cheque for his royalties, which he is donating to the Association. This guide could be added to our list of Sales items. **T'Other Way Up:** It is doubtful that anyone will take this publication on. No further action was taken. **Web Site:** Nothing has happened since registering. David has all the information ready to hand over the Simon Fern. David will contact him again. If he gets no response, we will look for another Site Provider.


Correspondence: Douglas had received a letter informing the Association of campsites. David to reply.


Officers' Reports: Sales: Rita continues to do an efficient job of Sales. The system is working well. **Footpath:** Pat had nothing to report. A meeting has been arranged with the National Park in Grassington for Thursday 4th September at 10.00am. **Membership:** Peaked at 490 earlier in the year but has now dropped to 468. Applications for membership are slow. **Finance:** Nothing to report.


Accommodation Providers: Pauline reported she is busy and turning people away. Other Providers have commented on the same fact. Pauline gets plenty of Dales Way walkers and gets a lot of her bookings via our Web Site.

National Trails Trust: Nothing to report. David will contact before next meeting. 

Interpretation Boards: Colin will send completed form to Margaret & Ken as soon as possible.

Any other business: Dales Way Leaflet: This was discussed and agreed it was a worthwhile publication. Cost of printing and distribution to be discussed at our next meeting. 

Waymarks: David has put some in place and will be completed soon. John Dearden has offered to help. David will let him have some Waymarks. Some finger posts are required. To be discussed with National Park with a possibility of us contributing with finance. 

User Survey: Douglas has devised a form. Committee members were given a copy with comments to Douglas as soon as possible, he will then print a revised form and send it to Pat who will let the National Park have it for comment. 

Date and time of next meeting: Sunday 19th October, 2003 at 67, Grove Road, Ilkley at 1.30pm.

Everyone was thanked for attending and Colin closed to meeting at 3.45pm. Thanks to Colin and Fleur Speakman for their hospitality.