

- VII. The risk assessments downloadable from the NK website may not fully cover the activities of members. While these are only templates to be amended to reflect the various activities, Andy agreed to liaise with Ed and review the relevance and completeness of the subjects currently available – remains outstanding – Ed to contact Andy.
ED/AG
- VIII. Discussions around a proposal to hand out “bags of bulbs” or similar, once a group is established, constituted and insured and also to existing members, was agreed as a good idea to round off the NK offering. Ed will discuss at the next trustee meeting and liaise with Andy. Ed will also try and contact Pennine Rotary as they present bulbs to friends groups to see if this could be done in a more coordinated approach. No trustee meeting in the interim so carried forward.
ED
- IX. The last meeting discussed the tool store at Beaumont Park continues to leak and mould is growing on the inside. Attempts in the past to repair have been to no avail and is possibly shortening the life of the tools or even a health hazard. The demise of Kirklees Countryside Volunteers has led to an offer from them to sell their 10 ft container to NK for £500 but would mean transporting this to Beaumont Park and removing the existing 20 ft one. The latter is Kirklees Council property so Andy G offered to try and find out who would be responsible if it were scrapped and also investigate whether there are any spare, dry 20ft containers that could be moved on site in preference to KCV’s 10ft one. Pete banks is now looking for somewhere to store his tools so this matter continues to be of relevance. Ed to raise with Dennis Whittle on 24th August when they are due to discuss the web site.
ED
- X. Concern was expressed over the use and insurance of brush cutters. Ed to put in next newsletter (early August) that while these can be insured the person operating must be suitably insured, have the correct PPE and lodge the training certificate with Natural Kirklees before cover is operative.
ED
- XI. Ed mentioned he had emailed all the councillors and MP’s who cover Kirklees. He had heard back from 3 of the 4 MP’s and a couple of councillors – all very positive and MP’s offering to meet up to discuss what we do further.
- XII. Question as to whether Natural Kirklees emails are going into the council’s spam folder – Andy / Pete to investigate.
AW/PB
- XIII. VC’s & Trustees to consider training opportunities that Natural Kirklees may fund to upskill the volunteers.
ALL
- XIV. The next meeting will be on 26th October at 11:30. Ed will seek permission to utilise the visitor centre at Beaumont Park in the morning to coincide with the Annual General Meeting in the afternoon (2pm).