

**Natural Kirklees**  
**Extraordinary General Meeting**  
**2 pm on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2017 to be held at**  
**Beaumont Park Visitor Centre**

Attendees	Organisation
Peter Turner	Chair Natural Kirklees
Mary Kenworthy	Treasurer Natural Kirklees
Tim Duke	Deputy Chair Natural Kirklees
Joan Vevers	Secretary Natural Kirklees
Bruce Bird	Dewsbury Partnership
Michael Brook	Huddersfield Birdwatchers YWT
Mike Denton	Huddersfield Birdwatchers
Keith Saunders	Friends of Slaithwaite Spa
Chris Senior	Friends of Meltham Pleasure Ground
Steve Kelly	Learn 2 Fish
Andrew O'Connor	Friends of Dean Wood
E. Julian Holroyd	Huddersfield Rotary
John Avison	Friends of Magwood
Gill Young	Friends of Crow Next Park
Anne Martin	Kirklees Badger Protection
Susan Doran	Kirklees Countryside Volunteers
Ed Day	Friends of Beaumont Park
Robert Barraclough	Scissett Village Ass
Jill Lucas	Botanist
Bev Corrigan	Kirklees Bridleways Group

Apologies	Organisation
Dave Clarkin	Kirkheaton
Andrew Walker	Friends of Slaithwaite Spa

Introductions	Action
Everyone introduced themselves	
<b>Purpose of the Meeting</b> Peter explained that we need approval for changes to the Objects in the Constitution. The accent will be on biodiversity which gives us a focus on living things which rely on each other.	
<b>Proposal</b> Tim first of all thanked Peter for all the work he has done in obtaining Charity Status. The Commission was very pedantic but we have reached our aim. We have changed the Objects in our Constitution as follows:-  1. To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment in Kirklees by promoting biological diversity.	

2. To advance the education of the public in the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment.

This was proposed by Tim Duke and seconded by Mary Kenworthy. Mike Denton queried what was natural and it was decided that his interpretation of natural is different to the Charity Commissions. The proposal was carried unanimously and the Trustees confirmed their agreement.

The meeting was closed.

**Discussion**

There was some discussion about TP woods and the fact that it did not contain any native trees. Someone asked what TP stood for and it was thought that it was Thomas Pearson Crosland who donated the land. It was surveyed in 2001 and we will arrange to take another look at the end of August.

Natural Kirklees have met with Kirklees Council and Yorkshire Wildlife Trust hoping to put in a bid to Heritage Lottery for funding to pull together mapping information on the biodiversity in Kirklees. There was discussion about what species there are and how to enhance this. Site management plans should use the same format so that we are working from the same base.

There was discussion on how to engage people in voluntary work and some ideas were put forward WIIFM (What's in it for Me), Forest Schools and organising visits to a selected number of places within the area.