

## REPORT ON THE TRUSTEES' MEETING AUGUST 2016

The 47<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Trustees of Beckford Nature Reserve took place on 10<sup>TH</sup> August 2016. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed by Geoff Stringer. The carving of the memorial bench for John Clifford had been delayed due to problems with the carver's place of work. Various suggestions were made to try and solve these difficulties and Tina suggested that a start be made on preparing the base for the seat.

Margaret Barker was formally welcomed onto the committee to take up her role as Treasurer to replace Jonathan Grice. Geoff thanked Jonathan for his work over the last four years and hoped that Jonathan would keep in touch. Jonathan said that he would like to provide support and advice and join in the working parties.

Tina reported that the vandalism seemed to have ceased and that a new bug hotel had been made with help from the Slade family. Grass cutting and tree work needed to be carried out and the working parties would start again in the autumn. She handed out the new 3 year plan. The ash trees on the reserve need to be checked for ash dieback disease and action taken if it is found.

The AGM is planned for October and the confirmed date is Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October. This will take place in the village hall.