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Gavin Miller



I am introducing this Annual Report of the work of the Society for 2019 on behalf of the Chairman, David Hurrell, who is convalescing after illness. I am sure we all send our best wishes to David for a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing him back in harness. Looking back on the activities of your Society over the past year, I have been tremendously impressed by the progress we have made in so many diverse areas – all related to the core aims of the Society to protect our footpaths and access to them. While those of you who read 'Signpost', our regular magazine, will be aware of some of these developments, I do hope that when you read in the following pages of the scope and variety of our activities you, too, will be impressed and you may even wish to offer your services as a volunteer.

All this is, of course, only possible through the hard work and expertise of the Officers of the Society and their teams of volunteers. We owe them all a tremendous debt of gratitude.

A number of officers have recently had to step down for various reasons, many of them after many years of service. You will read in the following pages something of the contributions made by Harry Scott, Reg Boot and Alan Hooley. I should also like to thank Bob Proctor, who has been Footbridges Officer since 2016 and more recently also in charge of Path Improvement projects. To all of them, we record our grateful appreciation of their work for the Society over the years.

We have been fortunate in being able to recruit new officers to take over some, but by no means all, of the work formerly carried out by those who are retiring. Indeed, we have some very hard-working and enthusiastic officers who have stepped forward relatively recently. But there is always more work which can be done to extend the range of our activities, whether it be in footpath inspecting or some more specialist area. If you would like to be involved, do get in touch with our office or any member of the management team.

As always, there are threats on the horizon. Apart from the Coronavirus potential pandemic which is occupying the news headlines as I write (and whose eventual consequences are hard to predict), there are other longer-term threats which, though less headline-grabbing, are nonetheless menacing. One is the continuing squeeze on local authority finances which, despite the reported end of 'austerity', shows no sign of easing. This has meant the severe run-down of Rights of Way teams within councils, sometimes to only one person (or even less!) In many cases the harassed RoW officer is overwhelmed by the backlog of outstanding footpath problems. In turn this means that we will increasingly have to resort to legal action to force local authorities to carry out

their statutory responsibilities. Happily, the Society is in good financial shape to ensure that it has the funds to back up any such legal action.

In commending this Annual Report to you, I would like again to thank all the officers and volunteers for their splendid work, which has contributed to another very successful year in the history of the Society.

Digitisation

Dave Brown

In 2019 the Society embarked upon a paperless project. This had two parts: to convert our extensive paper files into digital format; and to ensure that we generate no more of them.

There are three reasons for converting the existing files: to save space at Taylor House; to make them safer from the risk of damage; and to make them available to members, particularly Inspectors, without them having to visit Taylor House.

Initially we engaged a commercial firm to scan a sample of files but it quickly became apparent that this was not very satisfactory. Apart from the expense, it was obvious that some knowledge of the working of the Society is needed to do the job properly. So we eventually decided to do the job ourselves. Since last October Paul Easthope and I, with help from others, have been busily scanning files and, at the current rate, expect to be finished in another two years.

The results can be seen on the cloud at www.tinurl.com/PNFS2019. Comments are welcome but I must stress that this is a work in progress and does need some refinement. If you wish to help with this project, the Society will lend you a scanner.

Communications to Consultations and Orders are now mainly by email and, whereas these were previously printed and filed, they are now filed digitally. The remaining paper communications are scanned and then filed digitally. If anyone would like to help with this task, please contact me.

Outreach

Jenny Allen

My focus during the year 2019/20 was on promoting the Society and increasing the recruitment of footpath inspectors. To promote the Society, a digital image of Bosley Cloud in Cheshire was commissioned in the form of a poster available in a variety of sizes. Our members have been invited, via Signpost magazine, to place a poster in their local library or other public place to promote the Society. This has been successful with many members taking up the offer. I would like to thank all those who responded. I am also grateful for the assistance of Debby Pickvance, who has arranged for the libraries in Sheffield, Rotherham and Doncaster to receive a poster for public display.

I have contacted a variety of associations that represent retired members of public services, including the police and fire brigades, to offer volunteer opportunities to their members. I have had an excellent response from the National Association of Retired Police Officers (NARPO). It has been great to welcome new footpath inspectors who are NARPO members. Further associations will be contacted during 2020/21.

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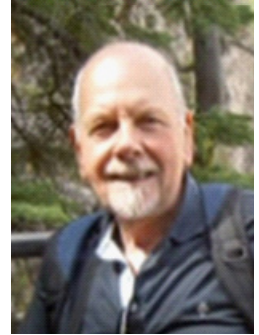
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David Morton

2019 began with a lot of signpost inspections in Jan, Feb and March as I strove to catch up with the backlog. Four new signs were erected in March, followed by a steady trickle. By the end of December we'd added a modest 14, giving a total of 526, but we had four more in the pipeline and we did a lot of serious maintenance, in the form of shot-blasting, powder-coating and making use of concrete stumps where posts had rotted. These stumps enable us to re-use old, shortened posts. Details are as follows :

New Signs in 2019

S580 at GR SD 84833 15946	Knowl Farm, Norden, Rochdale on Norden FPs 30,32,33
S582 at GR SK 00708 62077	East of the Roaches Gate on Leekfrith FP 82, IMO John Mayer
S589 at GR SD 83160 43846	Hr. Gills Farm, Rimington & Middop on FPs 39, 40,46
S590 at GR SD 83177 43849	Hr. Gills Farm, Rimington & Middop on FPs 39,46 IMO Roy Clarke
S591 at GR SD 82470 43577	Hr. Gills Farm, Rimington & Middop on FPs 43,46
S592 at GR SD 82317 43848	Hr. Gills Farm, Rimington & Middop on FPs 43,44
S593 at GR SD 83300 43793	Hr. Gills Farm, Rimington & Middop on FPs 39,46
S595 at GR SD 94768 10324	Jordan Brow, Shaw & Crompton on FPs 30,35 for Ida Ashworth
S596 at GR SJ 51404 76211	Abraham's Leap, Sandstone Trail, Frodsham FP43 IMO Brian Whitworth
S597 at GR SK 07161 99420	Nr. Crowden campsite, Tintwistle FPs 23,15 IMO Neville McGraw
S599 at GR SD 67995 33286	Ashes Farm, Copster Green, Salesbury FPs 6,7,8
S600 at GR SJ 50119 53265	South of Mad Allen's Hole, S/S Trail, Bickerton FPs 9
S603 at GR SD 70443 32934	Little Snodworth Farm, Langho, Wilpshire FPs 12,13,14
S604 at GR SD 70417 32978	Little Snodworth Farm, Langho, Wilpshire FP 13

Signs S594, S598, S601 and S602 are ready but awaiting drier conditions.

nb S580, S589, S591/2/3/4/8, S599, S601/3/4 are available for dedication for a donation of £375. The increase from £325 is due mainly to a 40% increase in the cost of the cast plates.

Norden, Rimington and Middop, Frodsham, Bickerton, Salesbury and Wilpshire are "new" parishes for our signs. I am indebted to F/P inspectors Shirley Addy (three are hers), Joe Park and John Alexander for their suggestions and help.

T3 : Between June and July 2019 we installed and lost toposcope 3 from Win Hill. A crime report was made. The decision was taken not to replace it, due to the likelihood that it too would be stolen.

Maintenance

The following signs were brought in, shot-blasted and powder-coated:

39, 104, 108, 119, 142, 161, 192, 214, 222, 265, 325, 334.

104, 119, 192, 214, 265, and 325 have also been fixed to concrete stumps. 142 and 161 have new posts.

The rest have been or will be returned to their old but serviceable posts.

Approximately 100 other signs have been inspected and cleaned.

Once again my thanks are due to Ted and John as well as Pete for their help and to Shirley for her several proposals for new signs in and around the Ribble Valley and inspections in Lancashire.

continued opposite

Robert Proctor

The footbridge on Kirklees footpath KIR 113/10 was finally finished in November. However, some means of crossing the retaining wall at the northern end of the footpath was needed. It appeared that development was to take place at this point, but there was no information as to when this would be. I therefore asked the Council to provide a temporary means of crossing this wall, and eventually some steps were provided. This concluded the work, which was satisfactory, and the Treasurer was to arrange handover of the Society's cheque for £7,790.

Early in the year, a request for financial support for a further section of boardwalks in the gorge-like part of Chee Dale was made by the Derbyshire Wildlife Trust. Trustees agreed a donation of up to £700 towards the cost. The work was finished in July and there are now boardwalks in place on all the previously muddy sections of the path. The footpath through this popular dale now provides a much more pleasant experience.

Staffordshire CC finally did some minor improvements to the stepping stones where Onecote FP4 and Waterhouses FP 115 cross the River Hamps. The Society had also requested some work on the practically unusable stepping stones crossing the river a short distance to the north (Onecote FP3/Grindon FP4). The Council resisted this and eventually informed us that there was no public right of way across the stepping stones since Grindon FP42 ended at the parish boundary in the middle of the river! The definitive map did not show Onecote FP3 crossing the river at all, in spite of a stile and wicket gate leading to the stepping stones. Trustees agreed that this should be investigated as a potential "lost way".

Repairs to the historic stone Hebble Hole clapper bridge, west of Hebden Bridge, were finished in April and a well-attended re-opening event was held at which the Society's cheque was handed over by the Chairman. Representatives from both Calderdale and the local parish councils, together with the Peak National Trails Partnership and PNFS members and local residents attended. Entertainment was provided by a local Morris dancing side and there was an exhibition at the nearby "New Delight" pub, where the Contractor's site engineer was on hand to answer questions.

In late November I received a revised quotation for repairs to the Harrop Brook "donkey bridge" near Rainow, Cheshire. I did not get any further details or a proposed starting date.

Towards the end of the year the replacement of Blackpool bridge on FP HOL64/20, north-west of Holme village, was finished. The bridge was made from ekki hardwood which gives an excellent finish and has a longer life-span. The finished job is superb.

BUT WE NEED HELP IN THE NEAR FUTURE. THE WORK IS FUN. VOLUNTEERS ARE WANTED.

What is needed is someone reasonably fit, strong and not too far from Stockport, to take over from Ted in helping John Hodgson to erect signposts.

John lives in Mellor. Ted lives in Macclesfield. They meet up en route at some convenient point and John picks Ted up.

Others, capable of climbing hills and painting letters with a steady hand, are needed to help Pete Ash, who lives in Wilmslow, to maintain our older signs in situ across our entire area except for Lancashire, where luckily we have the help of Shirley Addy.

If interested, please contact me by phone (0161 283 7824)
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Terry Norris

After a four-day public inquiry, at which all interested parties could make their case, the planning inspector upheld the Society's claim that there is a public footpath above the sea wall along the access road between Brown's Houses and the top of the foreshore at Silverdale. The path passes through a pedestrian gate along a track and then onto the shore through another gate. A further public footpath down the ramp and along the foreshore was recognised as definitive by the Inspector.

A number of private signs erected by the landowner, whilst not illegal, attempt to discourage walkers from using the path through the gates and above the sea wall. In response the Society has erected a sign showing clearly the line of both the footpath along the foreshore and that in front of Brown's Houses. Lancashire Council has also erected footpath signs at both ends of this route.

Natural England has now published the route for the Coastal Path from Silverdale to Cleveleys. The report acknowledges the outcome of the public inquiry. However, the proposed route is along a newly created path at the rear of Brown's Houses and Dyke House. It is accepted that the "confirmed public footpath would allow walkers to avoid the most difficult area of the foreshore but would still involve crossing an area of foreshore below exposed, sloping limestone pavement, that is regularly inundated at high tides." The Society has made representations to Natural England – only landowners can object! – that walkers should be offered a choice of routes rather than being directed only along the inland route away from the confirmed path. Hopefully the signage erected by the Council and ourselves will mean that this is the position in practice.

Claims for definitive map modification orders in Leigh near Wigan are still unresolved. The order recognising the route from Sandy Pool Farm to the East Lancs Road was forwarded to the Planning Inspectorate. The application was rejected as there were serious errors in the legal paperwork prepared by Wigan Council. The matter is now being handled by a different solicitor, who has addressed the defects. The Council is no longer to remain neutral, so will present the case for the order at the public inquiry. It is now accepted that the reasons given for a neutral stance i.e. a difference of opinion amongst councillors, was invalid. Thus we shall not have to incur further legal fees. With the agreement of the local residents, the scope of the order being claimed has been reduced to the section linking with an existing public footpath where both the evidence and the demand for reinstatement of the path is strongest.

The other case relating to a path in Leigh, Hall House Lane, was rejected by the Council. An appeal to the Planning Inspectorate against the finding that there was insufficient evidence of a public right of way was successful and the Council was directed to make the order submitted by the Society. Unfortunately there is no time limit for them to have to comply so there will be a further delay.

A DMMO relating to a path at Cellars Clough Mills at Marsden in Kirklees is to be determined after a public inquiry in June. The evidence from local people of use as a public right of way is very good and includes a statement from the former mill manager who ran the site from 1949, having taken over from his father. The path has been completely obstructed, depriving the public of an attractive path around the mill reservoir through pleasant woodland.

I had intended to step down after the AGM but it has not worked out quite like that. Cases are still to be fought and the other Courts and Inquiry officers are fully committed.

Brian Hamilton

In the Autumn of 2018, Alan Hooley, our section leader, left temporarily. However, after being absent for several months, and due to family commitments, he finally resigned. This has been a great loss to the Society, especially this section.

In September 2019, Harry Scott resigned as Area Officer for Staffordshire and therefore this large area came under the scope of this section. I cannot emphasise enough the admiration we feel for Harry having carried this immense burden for so long. Many thanks for your excellent work, Harry. On the plus side, he has indicated that he is happy to inspect diversions and extinguishments in areas of Staffordshire not covered by other inspectors.

There have been a few changes in the way we operate in the section this year, with the introduction of computer-based filing. There has been a bonus with easier access to filing and databases. I would like to thank Mel Bale, David Gosling and David Brown for their help and support in this area.

I would also like to thank the Assessors, John Grimsey and Reg Boot, for their continuing support and good work in the office every Monday morning. Unfortunately ill health has forced Reg Boot to retire.

I would also like to thank the Society's Inspectors for the good work and prompt reports they give us, and the Courts and Inquiries Officers for their support.

We have been involved in two Objections during the year at the Consultation stage. One diversion was not authorised, the other progressed to making the Order, and we will maintain our objection.

The statistics for the year are listed below (previous year's figures in brackets).

Public Space Protection Orders	8 (6)
Confirmed Orders	85 (95)
Consultations	143 (145)
Objections	2 (7)
Orders	167 (148)
Others	155 (171)



*Bridge on Longdendale footpath 4.
Only after the Society served an s130 notice on
them did the Tameside HA to replace it.*

Harry Scott (Stoke on Trent and Staffordshire)

Stoke on Trent: I have to report that due to cuts at Stoke Council there is now only one Rights of Way Officer. As with most urban areas there is a considerable amount of development and because of this we are losing unrecorded footpaths. In 2015/16 we identified 1300 unrecorded paths, 900 of which are on Stoke City land, and the Council have voted to add them to the definitive map. Unfortunately, there is no money or Officer time to do so. It is fair to say the Rights of Way Officer is doing his best to preserve the footpath network.

Staffordshire County: there is a staffing review and a change to the organisation of the Rights of Way at Staffordshire County Council. This will see a reduction of 40% of the current staff, which will mean a loss of two Rights of Way Officers. There was a reduction in the number of footpath diversion consultations during 2019. This is because the work has been contracted out and landowners now pay the full cost of a diversion consultation. The knock-on is a reduction in the number of Orders being made. It is taking over a year to see some footpath problems resolved. However, dangerous and urgent problems are being progressed quickly. There has been additional spending on bridges, which is welcomed. There are currently around 240 claims to add footpaths to the definitive map. The Planning Inspectorate have directed Staffordshire County Council to determine around 80 claims, and additional staff have been taken on to deal with the workload.

I continue to attend the Local Access Forum and have attended all meetings during 2019.

As you know, I retired in September 2019 after 25 years volunteering with Peak & Northern Footpath Society. I would wish to thank all the volunteers who have assisted me over the years. I wish the Peak & Northern Footpath Society all the best for the future.

Martin Hampar (Trafford, Manchester, Salford and Oldham)

As in previous years, my work on behalf of the Society during the year has been divided between attention to issues in my home borough of Trafford, Greater Manchester and a number of more general activities, mainly in Manchester and Salford and in other parts of Greater Manchester.

The Borough of Trafford covers both urban and rural areas, with a range of residential, industrial and agricultural uses. It has a network of some 250 recorded public rights of way ranging from short ginnels to paths through woodlands and across open fields. I am continuing to work with Ramblers Trafford Group to identify and try to resolve some long-standing footpath obstructions. This year we have successfully secured the re-opening of public footpath Carrington 27. Agreements have been reached for the re-opening of other rights of way once planned developments are completed.

Carrington Moss is a large area of open, mainly agricultural land within Trafford that has had many decades of uninterrupted access by the public, but has few recorded public rights of way. Access to the area was severely restricted by the landowner in 2017. On behalf of the Society, I worked with the Friends of Carrington Moss to have access to the area restored and this was achieved during the year.

I am leading on a claim to have the previously well-used Brooks Drive in Hale Barns recorded as a public right of way after residents blocked part of the route between Hale Road and Roaring Gate Lane. I have continued to support the Society's inspectors in Oldham regarding the clearance of obstructed footpaths.

I have also continued working with the Ramblers Footpaths Officer in Salford in connection with both the obstruction of footpaths and proposed changes to the network.

Where appropriate, I have commented on Orders proposing changes to the rights of way network and on specific planning applications that appear to affect public rights of way in Trafford, Manchester and Salford.

I continue to monitor the development of both the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework and the plans for HS2 for the possible effects on public rights of way and other public access in Greater Manchester.

Jenny Allen (Cheshire, Warrington, Lancashire, Barnsley)

As Courts and Inquiries Officer for Cheshire East, Cheshire West & Chester, and Warrington I can report a relatively quiet year. There have not been any matters requiring my services during the past 12 months for Cheshire West & Chester and Warrington. I have considered two matters for Cheshire East (Little Bollington & Rainow) that have not progressed. Both matters concerned obstructed footpaths. The obstruction at Little Bollington was due to a locked gate and overgrown vegetation. A letter before action was authorised but not sent. Contact with the Rights of Way manager, followed by a visit to the landowner by the Network Management officer, resolved the problem.

The obstruction in Rainow is due to the construction of a horse's stable over the line of the path. However, following an email exchange with the Rights of Way manager, it transpires that there may be a mapping error and the legal line is not obstructed. This is to be investigated further before action is taken.

I have provided cover as C&IO for Tameside, providing support to Paul Easthope, Treasurer and inspector in Tameside (Longdendale & Mossley). There are multiple obstructed paths in Mossley that are considered suitable for enforcement action, due to vegetation overgrowth and a lack of maintenance. Enforcement action has been authorised. However, following a commitment by Tameside HA that these paths will be cleared of vegetation in April, no action has yet been taken. If Tameside fail to clear the paths in April, we will proceed to serve an enforcement notice.

I have recruited a permanent C&IO for Tameside, Udo Pope. He was formally appointed by the Trustees in February and will follow through on the enforcement action if necessary. I am delighted that he has agreed to take on this role. He has a legal background and his skills and experience will be a valuable and welcome addition to the C&IO team. We look forward to working with him.

Area Officer

I am AO for Cheshire East and Cheshire West & Chester. I also help with consultations for diversion in Wigan and Lancashire, where there is no inspector.

I have provided a response to 46 consultations over the past 12 months. Representations made on four of these have resulted in changes to the proposed Order that benefit walkers, or no Order being made.

I have made holding objections to four Orders made by Cheshire East as a result of errors in the Order. These range from omissions in the wording of the Order to incorrect information (grid references or name of parish). The holding objections were removed once the errors had been corrected.

Rhoda Barnett (Derbyshire)

Another busy year. 162 responses were made to consultations on planning applications which might affect public rights of way (PRoW). The majority would have no adverse effect, but for some it was possible to ensure that the developer realised that the legal line of the path was not the same as the used line, and so the plans had to be revised. For a few proposals there needed to be a wholesale re-think about the development. Examples included several proposed housing developments in South Derbyshire, where the developers had to change proposals to route existing PRoW on to new estate road pavements, and instead provide traffic-free “green corridors”. The location of a new car park at a hotel near Ashbourne was changed and a much more satisfactory diversion of the footpath across the site agreed.

Responses were made to 14 consultations on public path orders (diversions and extinguishments); most complied with the legal tests once inaccurate technical details in the draft orders had been corrected. The details of one order proposal by the Peak District National Park Authority at a quarry site were agreed after a site meeting with the rights of way officer and the quarry manager - a good outcome for all.

The Derbyshire Inspectors continued to work hard and I supported them with advice. Where faults on paths found by the Inspectors remained unresolved for too long, I served legal Notices on the county council on behalf of the Society to try to secure the removal of obstructions and the repair of surfaces. The council usually responded well, if rather slowly, for example with the repair of Minninglow Lane (Ballidon BOAT 11), but some cases have proved very difficult as we were wary of the costs involved in going to court when the council is probably able to justify its delay. These cases can drag on for many years.

There were 16 consultations from the county council on the making of modification orders to add paths to the definitive map or to establish the correct nature of public rights over unclassified roads. I gave evidence at two public inquiries - at one the evidence that the route was a vehicular PRoW was sufficient to confirm that status; the decision for the other has not yet been published. The Society continued its work to identify unrecorded PRoW (Lost Ways) and I assisted a Society member with 15 applications for orders to be made.

I worked closely with the Peak District Green Lanes Alliance, of which PNFS is a member, to try to ensure that the enjoyment of walkers' use of PRoW was not affected by vehicular use. Notable successes included the making of a Traffic Regulation Order by Derbyshire County Council to prevent use of a Byway in Stoney Middleton by motorised vehicles, and the repair of a few lanes so that vehicular use no longer made the surfaces unfit for walkers.

Andy Leader (Kirklees)

Through the C&IO Committee I have been authorised to send some 8 letters before action and subsequent notices where required.

Some notable successes in Kirklees are the replacement of “Blackpool Bridge” on Holmfirth Footpath 64 following serving of a s56 notice on the council, and agreement to carry out repair works in 2020 on Holmfirth Footpaths 63, 65, 195 and Byway 182 following service of further s56 notices.

I have also commented on over 40 planning applications affecting public rights of way and have made representations on 5 proposed footpath diversions. I spoke at the Huddersfield Planning Sub Committee in January 2020 against the proposal to divert Holmfirth Footpath 60. This proposal was vetoed by the committee and will not go ahead.

Paul Easthope

Accounting Basis: These accounts have been prepared using the “receipts and payments” method, rather than the “accruals” method as used up to 2006. This is in accordance with Charity Commission guidance and the trustees’ decisions made in 2006.

Income

- Receipts were down to £64,043. This was due to legacies being down by £19,374 to £20,808. Gift aid was up by £484 to £4,097.
- Members subscriptions were up by £961 to £13,422. Affiliations were up appreciably to £2,115. This is the highest for both for a number of years
- General donations were down to £7,647.
- Signpost/Footbridge donations were up £546 to £4,539.
- Dividends and interest were slightly higher, up £645 to £11,232.
- We also had £183 donated for pin and rucksack badges.

Expenditure: Overall expenditure was virtually the same at £44,967.

- Taylor House costs were up by £1,526 to £6,027, mainly due to installing a loft ladder and boarding the loft.
- Signpost & footbridge expense was down by £2,055 to £11,060.
- Travel costs were down by £1,001 to £5,761.
- Printing costs were £1,288 higher mainly due to printing an extra Signpost magazine. It now costs nearly £1.50 to print and post a newsletter, so please consider taking it online .
- Computer costs were the same and insurance slightly higher.
- Subscriptions/Donations/Training costs were much lower due to no training course costs this year.
- Improvements/Commemorative costs were appreciably higher due to our first path improvement scheme with the PDNPA at Hulme End.
- Legal/Professional/Secretarial costs were much lower due to no legal fees this year, the net surplus being £19,076. All due to legacy income.
- Taking out legacy income, general income was slightly higher at £43,235. Then deducting expenditure, a deficit of £1732 was made in the Society’s day-to-day running costs. This was extremely encouraging considering the expenditure on footpath improvements, footbridges and signposts.

Assets: The balance sheet is up by £27,185, mainly due to legacies, to £476,876. Our investments were up to £179,492 due to the existing portfolio making gains and the purchase of two investment trusts. Our investments are long term and returned over 5%, an essential contribution to our running costs. Liquid assets were up by £8,037 to ££236,730.

Ethical Investments: The Investment Advisory Group advised the trustees they felt that the Society should not be restricted to only invest ethically in future. Ethical funds were rather new to the market with no long-term history. This could mean higher volatility. However, the group were not averse to considering ethical investments if they could offer an overall return similar to what could be obtained in the market generally.

Direct Debits Subscriptions: CAF (Charity Aid Foundation Bank) collect our direct debits. Please note you no longer see on your statements and online bank details any mention of PNFS. Instead you see “Charity Donation”. Collection dates are 1st and 15th of the month.

Please think about changing to paying your subscriptions and donations by direct debit and, if you are a tax payer, signing up for Gift Aid. Forms are available at <http://www.peakandnorthern.org.uk>. Direct debits now account for nearly 70% of our paid membership subscription income: £9,550 this year.



Peak & Northern Footpaths Society

No 212219

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/01/2019 to 31/12/2019

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts				
Subscriptions	13,422		13,422	12,461
Affiliations	2,115		2,115	1,662
Legacies, bequests	20,808		20,808	40,182
A members restricted donation			0	0
Donations general	7,647		7,647	9,460
Donations signposts & footbridges		4,539	4,539	3,993
Gift Aid tax	4,097		4,097	3,613
Interest/Dividends	11,232		11,232	10,587
Miscellaneous	183		183	105
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	59,504	4,539	64,043	82,063
A2 Asset and investment sales				
Government stocks redemption	19,000		19,000	10,331
			0	0
Sub total	19,000	0	19,000	10,331
Total receipts	78,504	4,539	83,043	92,394
A3 Payments				
Taylor House running costs	6,027		6,027	4,501
Signpost & Footbridges	6,521	4,539	11,060	13,115
Travel & Subsistence	5,761		5,761	6,762
Printing, copying, newsletter	6,465		6,465	5,177
Postage, Telephone, Stationery	2,989		2,989	3,059
Computer software & maintenance	2,870		2,870	2,858
Functions / Fundraising costs	1,020		1,020	1,285
Insurance	1,424		1,424	1,363
Subscriptions, Donations, Training	244		244	1,098
Improvements, Commemorative	4,512		4,512	181
Legal Professional & Secretarial	2,383		2,383	5,540
Sundries	212		212	120
Sub total	40,428	4,539	44,967	45,059
P & L SURPLUS			19,076	37,004

A4 Asset and investment purchases				
Investment Trusts	30,039		30,039	
			0	
Sub total	30,039	0	30,039	0
Total payments	70,467	4,539	75,006	45,059
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,037	0	8,037	47,335
A5 Transfers between funds	0	0	0	0
A6 Cash funds last year end	167,683	61,010	228,693	181,358
Cash funds this year end	175,720	61,010	236,730	228,693

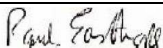
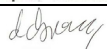
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Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Savings accounts	149,612	61,010
	Current accounts & petty cash	26,108	0
	Total cash funds	175,720	61,010
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK
B3 Investment assets	Details	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Government stocks		
	Corporate bonds		70,755
	Equities		32,697
	Inv.trusts, pref shares, ETF funds		76,040
	TOTAL	0	179,492
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Taylor House building	60,153	
	Computer equipment	13,458	
	Furniture fittings & other	4,351	
	P A sound system	1,509	

Signed by one or two trustees
on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print name	Date of approval
	P Easthope	31/03/2020
	D C Brown	31/03/2020

David Gosling

This has been a successful year for footpath inspections. We were able to appoint 20 new inspectors, bringing the total number of inspectors to 121 (last year the total was 112). There are 8 Area Officers, one of which was newly appointed in 2019: Derek Bodey for the High Peak District of Derbyshire. The number of parishes inspected is now 593 compared to 522 last year and 330 six years ago.

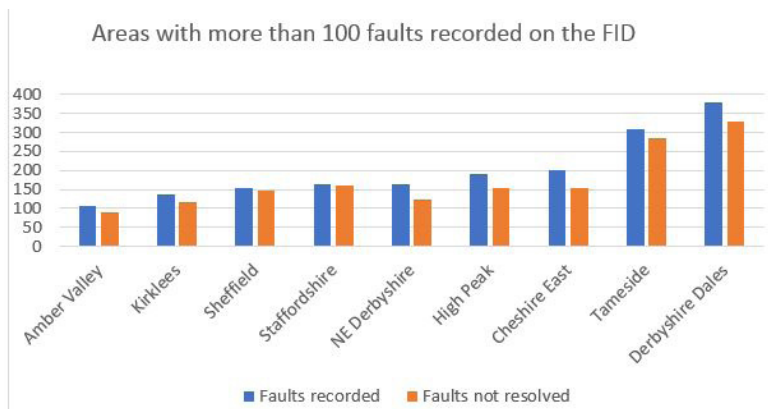
The Society now has much improved data on the number of inspections and of faults thanks to the Footpath Inspections Database. The FID now includes all the PNFS area with the notable exception of Leeds and Merseyside. A new admin function has made it much easier to allocate parishes and passwords.

Statistics derived from the FID must be treated with some caution because the database relies on inspectors entering their own records of their inspections and the state of the paths they walk. Most inspectors are conscientious about keeping their FID records accurate, but inevitably there are gaps and, in some cases, the recorded data may not be completely up to date.

The total number of footpaths on the database is in the region of 44,000, of which 14,234 paths have inspection data recorded. These global figures hide enormous variations between areas. So for example, in Trafford we have data on 90% of paths and in Stockport 89%; High Peak and N.E. Derbyshire 86%; and Barnsley 82%; whereas in Bradford, Wakefield, Doncaster, Rochdale, Salford, Manchester City, Blackburn with Darwen and Blackpool we have data on less than 5% of rights of way.

Of those 14,234 paths where we have data, 10,131 were found to be clear and without problems; 3,711 had relatively minor faults; and 392 had serious faults (the path is impassable or dangerous). It is on this last category that Area and Courts and Inquiries Officers need to focus – less than 3% of paths where we have data.

When we look specifically at 2019, we find that there were 6,073 inspections, and 2,356 faults recorded of which 2,000 remain outstanding. The best performing areas by faults resolved were Barnsley (50%) Trafford (46.67) and Stockport (31.18). Seven authorities resolved less than 10% of faults reported within the year – Lancashire, Staffordshire, Oldham, Wigan, Sheffield, Tameside and Bury.



Although most of our information about paths comes from footpath inspections, we also receive typically about 5 reports a month from members of the public or members of the Society. These are all acknowledged, recorded and passed to the nearest inspector to investigate. Some important issues have been brought to our attention through these reports.

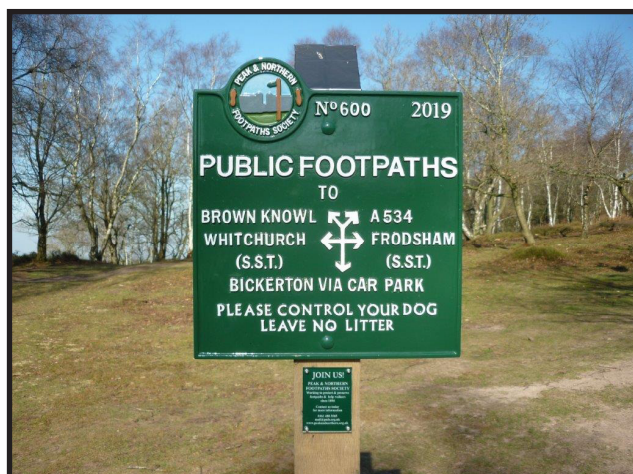
We want to increase the participation of walking and running groups, students, families and riders of horses and bikes (on bridleways) in identifying faults. The Path Checkers scheme is designed to make reporting faults much easier by using a smart phone while at the location. Student volunteers, who are being recruited to assist with inspections in the Manchester area, will use the Path Checkers scheme.

During the year we lost the services of Harry Scott, who announced his retirement as the Area Officer for Staffordshire. Harry was the Society's main point of contact with Staffordshire for a quarter of a century. He leaves a big hole in the Society's organisational structure, which will be very difficult to fill.

Reg Boot has also unfortunately been forced to retire by ill-health. Reg was membership Secretary up to 2010 and created the membership database, which vastly improved the efficiency of the membership records. More recently he was Area Officer and Courts and Inquiries Officer for Stockport, as well as being the footpath inspector for Cheadle and Gatley. In recent years he has been a member of the Assessors Team.

Peter Goulden, John Knight, Ian Ray and Norman Creighton also retired or resigned during the year. Andy Shallice was appointed as an inspector in Sheffield this year but sadly he died suddenly of a heart attack. We also learned that Harold Addie has died.

A successful training day for new inspectors was held with 17 attending. During the year, three Inspectors Newsletters were published in April, October and January. These are available in the members area of the website



Membership Secretary's Report

Mel Bale

The society's membership figures for the current year are very similar to those of the previous year. As always, it is worth pointing out that as I write the number of members and affiliates who have yet to renew their membership is significant and the membership year still has 3 months to run. This is a little disappointing as regular renewal reminders have been sent out throughout the year. Nevertheless, I am hopeful that the 'end of year' figures will show an overall increase. The figures for the last 5 years show that membership is relatively stable.

Sadly it is inevitable that we will lose members through illness or worse, and 2019/20 has been no different to previous years in this respect. It was particularly sad to lose one of our oldest members, James Cain. On a more positive note a number of our new members have also become Footpath Inspectors or have offered to volunteer in other ways to progress the work of the society. The society has just launched its Path Checkers initiative. This will hopefully broaden the society's membership base by appealing to a wider demographic. We are particularly keen to involve all people who enjoy and value our Public Rights of Way. So we are encouraging runners, cyclists and horse riders to get involved as well as our more traditional base of walkers.

Following on from this, it was particularly encouraging to receive an affiliation application from the Dark Peak Bridleways Association and to hear that one of their horse-riding members is considering becoming a Path Checker. Credit for their application should go to John Harker in the first place.

Remember that we can all help to increase the society's membership numbers. If you have family or friends who enjoy our wonderful network of footpaths and bridleways, please suggest to them that they join us. I'm sure they won't regret it!

Please don't forget that your subscriptions are vital to the work of the society in protecting and promoting our Public Rights of Way. If you don't already Gift Aid your subscription and are a UK tax payer, please just sign the appropriate section on your next renewal form. By doing so you effectively increase the value of your subscription by 25%. Gift Aid can be claimed retrospectively for 4 years, so if you can Gift Aid please consider doing so.

I am delighted to be able to report that the treasurer has advised me that for the 9th successive year subscription levels will be frozen. Given the steady rise in the running costs of the society this is good news.

Membership renewal reminder letters will be sent with the first newsletter of the membership year. I would ask all members to consider paying their subscription by direct debit if they do not already do so. Not only does this reduce the need for reminders but it also allows more time to be spent on other work for the society. Work is underway to enable membership renewals to be made via the society's website as well as allowing new memberships to be taken out.

I am very pleased to report that more of our members are making use of the society's Footpath Inspection Database, which goes from strength to strength. Authorised users can view the latest inspection information about footpaths across all the parishes that our inspectors cover, as well as all reports of problems that have been reported. Please contact me at the email address below if you would like access to the database.

The Society is very keen to increase its members' benefits. In the last year, our magazine Signpost has expanded its number of pages and is now published four times a year. Its editor, Shirley Addy, deserves special praise for all her hard work in producing a high-quality publication. Thanks also to all those who contribute articles.

I'd like to thank my fellow trustees for all their support and encouragement throughout the year and in particular Paul Easthope, our treasurer, who yet again has been a great help when dealing with the financial aspects of membership.

Finally, please do contact me at membership@pnfs.org.uk if you have any questions or ideas about membership.

Members	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Annual	968	994	1073	1070	1091
Ten year	189	67	50	39	2
Five year	10	7	4	2	18
Hon. life	32	33	34	32	35
Total	1067	1101	1161	1152	1146
Affiliates	76	79	89	85	87

Note: The 2019 figures are for 'paid up' members only. In addition there are 74 individual and household members and 7 affiliates who haven't yet renewed in 2019/20. All have recently been sent renewal reminder letters or emails.

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The President and Vice-Presidents are elected in recognition of outstanding services to the Society and they enjoy all the benefits of honorary membership.

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Abbotsfield Fellwalkers of Flixton
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Altrincham & District Rambling Club
Anchor Ramblers
Anderston Parish Council
Ashover Footpath and Bridleway Committee
Ashton-u-Lyne & District Walking Club
Barnsley Mountaineering Club
Belper Town Council*
Blackbrook Conservation Society
Blackburn Rambling Association
Blackrod Town Council*
Bolton CHA Rambling Club
Bradford CHA Rambling and Social Club
Buxton Rambling Club
CHA Manchester Rambling Club
CHA Mansfield
Chapel en le Frith Rambling Club
Chapel-en-le-Frith Parish Council
Cheshire Tally Ho Hare & Hounds Club
Club AZ Walkers
Crescent Ramblers Northwich
Dark Peak Bridleways Association
Denby Footpaths Group
Denton Local History Society*
Derby Nomad Ramblers
Derbyshire Pennine Club
Disley Footpaths Society
Dore Village Society*
Eccles Rambling & Social Club
Eyam Village Society
Halifax Rambling and Social Club
Hanliensian Rambling Club
Hayfield Parish Council*
Helsby Parish Council*
HF Bolton Group
HF Bury Group
HF Nottingham Group
HF Warrington Rambling Club
Holymoorside & Walton Parish Council
Hunshelf Parish Council
Leek & District FP Preservation & Rambling Group
Littleborough Civic Trust*
Macclesfield & District Field Club
Macclesfield Rambling Club
Manchester & District Retired Teachers Association
Manchester and Salford Ramblers Group
Manchester Associates Rambling Club
Manchester Field Club
Manchester Rambling Club
Marple District Rambling Club

Melbourne Footpath Group
Merseyside & West Cheshire Area RA
Mid Cheshire Footpath Society
New Mills and District Ramblers Group
North Turton Parish Council
Northenden Walkers
Oldham Wednesday Walkers
Over Hulton Neighbourhood Forum*
Penistone Town Council
Pennine Wayfarers Rambling Club
Pott Shrigley Parish Council
Poynton Rambling Club
Preston Ramblers
R A North & Mid Cheshire Area
RA Congleton Group
RA Doncaster Group*
RA East Cheshire
RA Greater Manchester & High Peak Area
RA Nottinghamshire Area
RA Oldham Group
RA Sheffield
RA South Yorks & NE Derbyshire Area
RA Stockport
Ramblers Trafford Group
Red Rope (Manchester)
Rochdale CHA Rambling Club
Rock and Heather Club
Rossendale Ramblers
Saddleworth Pedestrians
Saddleworth Runners
Sale U3A Walking Group
Sale Walking and Activity Group
Saughall and Shotwick Park Parish Council*
Sheffield CHA Rambling Club and Social Club
Sheffield Co-operative Ramblers
Shirland & Higham Parish Council
Stockport Field Club
Stockport Rambling & Social Club
Stockport Walkers
Stockport Walking and Outdoor Group
Sutton in Ashfield Rambling Club
The Irregulars
The Rucksack Club
The Strollers
Trafford Walkers
Warrington Field Club
Warrington U3A Walking Group*
West Lancashire Footpath Group*
Whaley Bridge Town Council*
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* Indicates not paid up. Membership will cease in May

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Parishes

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BARNSELEY

Hunshelf.....	HUR
Langsett.....	FOR
Oxspring.....	FOR
Penistone	NCR
Stainborough	BTY
Tankersley	BEL
Thurgoland	BEL
Wortley.....	BEL

BLACKBURN WITH DARWEN

Belmont	PIC
Chapelton (Turton).....	PIC
Egerton.....	PIC
Tockholes	WHE

BOLTON

Blackrod	GER
Bolton (Town Of)	FOS
Bradshaw North	FOS
Bradshaw South	FOS
Bromley Cross	ARU
Eagley	ARU
Egerton & Turton	FOS
Horwich	FOS
Westthoughton	GER

BRADFORD

Bingley	DDY
Other parishes.....	HAA

BURY

Prestwich	AND
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CALDERDALE

Errington	ALE
Heptonstall	ALE
Brighouse	PDA

CHESHIRE EAST

Acton	PLA
Adlington	DCB
Agden (Lymm)	LNL
Alderley Edge	GOU
Alsager	LIT
Arclid	LIT
Ashton by Budworth	PGA
Ashley	LNL
Baddiley	CCO
Barthomley	HEA+PLA
Basford	PLA
Bexton	MIL

Bickerton	ALX
Bollington	DSM
Bosley	JGA
Burland	CCO
Chelford	ABL
Chorley.....	ABL
Chorlton.....	PLA
Congleton.....	JGA
Cranage	HAB
Crewe (Town Of)	PLA
Crewe Green	PLA
Disley	TAD
Edleston	PLA
Gawsworth	FHR
Goostrey	HAB
Great Warford	HAB
Haslington	PLA
Hassall	LIT
Henbury	GOO
Henhull	PLA
High Legh	PGA
Higher Hurdsfield	DCB
Holmes Chapel	DCB
Kettleshulme	TAD
Knutsford	MIL
Leighton	PLA
Little Bollington	LNL
Little Warford	HAB
Lower Withington	POW
Lyme Handley	TAD
Macclesfield	DCB
Macclesfield Forest	JAK
Marthall	MIL
Mere	LNL
Millington	LNL
Minshall Vernon	PLA
Mobberley	GOU
Moston	LIT
Mottram St Andrew.....	RAY
Nantwich	PLA
Nether Alderley	GOU
Ollerton	MIL
Over Alderley	RAY
Peover Inferior	MIL
Peover Superior	MIL
Plumley	MIL
Pott Shrigley	GOO

Poynton With Worth	MAT
Prestbury	FON
Rainow	TAD
Rope	PLA
Rosthern	LNL
Sandbach	LIT
Shavington Cum Gresty	PLA
Snelson	DCB
Sound	CCO
Stapeley	PLA
Sutton	BRO
Swettenham	HAB
Tabley Inferior	MIL
Tabley Superior	MIL
Tatton	MIL
Toft	MIL
Twemlow	HAB
Wardle	CCO
Weston	PLA
Wildboarclough	JAK
Willaston	PLA
Wilmslow	ITA
Wincle	BOO
Wistaston	PLA
Worleston	PLA

CHESHIRE WEST AND CHESTER

Acton Bridge	JHW
Alvanley	PAK
Anderton	JAL
Antrobus	JAL
Barnton	JAL
Comberbach	JAL
Cuddington	PAR
Davenham	PAR
Duddon	CCO
Frodsham Ashton	GAS
Great Budworth	JAL
Hartford	PAR
Helsby	JAL
Kingsley	LIS
Little Legh	JAL
Manley	PAK
Marston	JAL
Moulton	PAR
Northwich	KEG
Oakmere	PAR
Tarvin	CCO
Utkinson	LIS
Weaverham	PAR

Whitegate And Marton	PAR
Whitley	JAL

DERBY CITY

Alvaston	KAM
Littleover	KAM
Mickleover	KAM
Sinfin Moor	KAM

DERBYSHIRE AMBER VALLEY

Aldecar & Langley Mill	HAI
Alderwasley	WES
Alfreton	HAI
Ashley Hay	WES
Belper	SND
Codnor	KJB
Crich	ROA
Denby	HAI
Dethick Lea & Holloway	NEL
Duffield	SND
Heanor & Loscoe	HAI
Horsley	ROA
Holbrook	SND
Horsley Woodhouse	ROA
Ironville	KJB
Idridgehay & Alton	JBR
Keddleston	BOS
Kilburn	SND
Kirk Langley	BOS
Mackworth	BOS
Mapperley	HAI
Pentrich	ROA
Quarndon	BOS
Ravensdale Park	BOS
Riddings	KJB
Ripley Town	KJB
Shipley	HAI
Shottle & Postern	WES
Smalley	HAI
Somercotes	HAI
South Wingfield	ROA
Swanwick	KJB
Westons Underwood	BOS
Windley	BO

DERBYSHIRE BOLSOVER

All parishes	HAI
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DERBYSHIRE CHESTERFIELD

Brimington	PAW
Chesterfield	PAW
Staveley	PAW

DERBYSHIRE DALES

Abney & Abney Grange	COJ
Aldwark	PAW
Ashbourne	TIB
Ashford In The Water	JCO
Atlow	KAM
Bakewell	PAW
Ballidon	PAW
Baslow & Bubnell	PAW
Beeley	FOX
Biggin	WES
Birchover	GOO
Blackwell	BOD
Bonsall	HIR
Bradbourne	PAW
Bradley	WES
Bradwell	COJ
Brassington	PAW
Brushfield	BOD
Calver	KAT
Carsington	WES
Chatsworth	FOX
Chelmorton	JEW
Clifton & Compton	TIB
Cromford	HIR
Curbar	BUC
Darley Dale	RWS
Eaton Alsop	PAW
Edensor	PAW
Elton	HUA
Eyam	DPI
Eyam Woodlands	COJ
Fenny Bentley	PAW
Flagg	BOD
Foolow	DPI
Froggatt	BUC
Gratton	HUA
Great Hucklow	COJ
Great Longstone	LYO
Grindleford	HOW
Grindlow	COJ
Hartington Middle Quarter	BOD
Hartington Nether Quarter	PAW
Hartington Town Quarter	PAW
Hassop	JCO
Hathersage	HOW
Hazelbadge	COJ
Highlow	COJ
Hognaston	KAM
Hulland	WES
Hulland Ward	WES

Ible	PAW
Ivonbrook Grange	PAW
Kirk Ireton	WES
Little Hucklow	COJ
Little Longstone	DAM
Litton	NOD
Mapleton	PAW
Matlock	RWS
Matlock Bath	RWS
Middleton & Smerrill	HUA
Middleton by Wirksworth	RWS
Nether Haddon	GOO
Newton Grange	PAW
Northwood & Tinkersley	FOX
Offcote & Underwood	TIB
Offerton	SIS
Osmaston & Yeldersley	TIB
Outseats	COJ
Parwich	PAW
Pilsley	PAW
Rowland	DAM
Rowsley	FOX
Sheldon	JCO
South Darley	HIR
Stanton In Peak	GOO
Stoney Middleton	DPI
Taddington	BOD
Tansley	RWS
Thorpe	PAW
Tideswell	NOD
Tissington	PAW
Wardlow	NOD
Wheston	NOD
Winster	GOO
Wirksworth	RWS
Youlgreave	SKE

DERBYSHIRE EREWASH

Breaston	KJB
Dale Abbey	DAM
Draycott & Church Wilne	KJB
Hopwell	KJB
Ilkeston	PRO
Long Eaton	KJB
Ockbrook	DAM
Risley	KJB
Sandiacr	KJB
Sawley	KJB
Stanton By Dale	KJB

DERBYSHIRE HIGH PEAK

Aston	SIS
Bamford	SIS

Brough & Shatton	SIS
Buxton	JEW
Castleton	SIS
Chapel-en-le Frith	BRT
Charlesworth	NHA
Chinley Buxworth & Brownside	BRT
Chisworth	NHA
Derwent	BEL
Edale	BEL
Glossop	BUC
Green Fairfield	ALW
Hartington Upper Quarter	BOD
Hayfield	EAT
Hope	SIS
Hope Woodlands	BEL
King Sterndale	ALW
New Mills (in Derbyshire)	DSM+POP
Peak Forest	BRT
Thornhill	SIS
Tintwistle	EAS
Whaley Bridge	DCB
Wormhill	BOD

NE DERBYSHIRE

Ashover	PAW
Barlow	CLB
Brackenfield	HAI
Brampton	PAW
Calow	HAI
Clay Cross	HAI
Dronfield	PAW
Eckington	PAW
Grassmoor Hasland Winsick	HAI
Heath & Holmewood	HAI
Holmesfield	PAW
Killamarsh	PAW
Morton	HAI
North Wingfield	HAI
Pilsley	HAI
Shirland & Higham	HAI
Stretton	HAI
Sutton Cum Duckmanton	HAI
Temple Normanton	HAI
Tupton	HAI
Unstone	PAW
Walton Incl. Holymoorside	PAW
Wessington	HAI
Wingerworth	HAI

DERBYSHIRE SOUTH

Aston on Trent	BTO
Barrow on Trent	BTO

Calke	KAM
Elvaston	DAM
Foremark	KAM
Great Wilne	KAM
Ingleby	BTO
Melbourne	BTO
Stanton By Bridge	BTO
Swarkestone	BTO
Weston on Trent	BTO

KIRKLEES

Denby Dale	ALE
Holmfirth	ALE
Kirk Burton	MAW

LANCASHIRE CITY OF LANCASTER

Anglezarke	BAR
Caton With Littledale	HST
Ellel	TYN
Heapy	BAR
Over Wyresdale	APA
Quernmore	TYN
Rivington	BAR
Roeburndale	HST
Scotforth	TYN
Silverdale	FEA
Warton	FEA
Yealand Conyers	FEA
Yealand Redmayne	FEA

LANCASHIRE CITY OF PRESTON

Lea And Cottam	SNA
Woodplumpton	SNA

LANCASHIRE RIBBLE VALLEY

All parishes	ADD
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LANCASHIRE WYRE

Nether Wyresdale	APA
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LEEDS

All parishes	HAA
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OLDHAM

Chadderton	RIL
Crompton	RIL
Failsworth	BLO
Lees	RIL
Oldham (Town Of)	RIL
Royton	RIL
Saddleworth	RIL

ROCHDALE

Wardle	MYD
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Parishes

ROTHERHAM

All Parishes HIR

SHEFFIELD

Bradfield DJO
Ecclesfield ACW
Eckington PAW
Sheffield (City Of) JCO
Stocksbridge HUR

STAFFORDSHIRE EAST

Ramshorn HEW
Wootton HEW

STAFFORDSHIRE MOORLANDS

Alstonefield..... PAW
Alton..... HEW
Blore With Swinsco..... HEW
Butterton PAW
Checkley HEW
Cotton HEW
Draycott In The Moors HEW
Farley HEW
Fawfieldhead PAW
Grindon GWE
Heathylee LTA
Heaton JGA
Hollinsclough PAW
Ilam PAW
Leekfrith JGA
Longnor HAD
Oakamoor HEW
Quarnford TEM
Rushton FHR
Sheen PAW
Tittesworth HAD
Warslow & Elkstones PAW
Waterhouses PRO
Wetton GWE

STOCKPORT

Bredbury & Romiley TEM
Hazel Grove & Bramhall GOS
Marple CLS
New Mills (in Stockport) CLS
Stockport (Town Of) CLS

TAMESIDE

Ashton U Lyne WEX
Audenshaw WEX
Denton WEX
Droylesden WEX
Dukinfield WEX

Longdendale EAS

TRAFFORD

Altrincham MHA
Bowdon MHA
Carrington MHA
Dunham Massey MHA
Hale MHA
Partington MHA
Sale MHA
Stretford MHA
Urmston MHA
Warburton MHA

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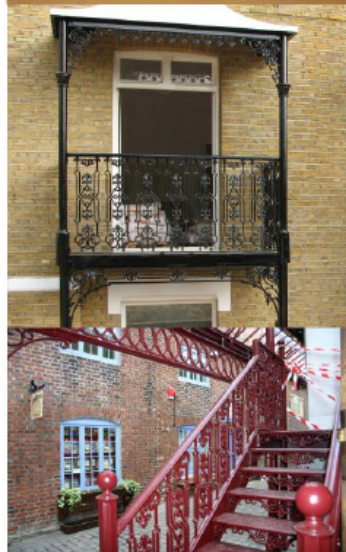
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Appleton BRA
Grappenhall & Thelwall JHW
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Stockton Heath BRA
Stretton OLM
Woolston BRA

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Golborne DTA
Haigh ATH
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and 392/3 from Macclesfield

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10:30 Coffee

11:00

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The Presidents

Lunch

Speaker

Head of PROW at Cheshire East Council
will speak about her work

14:30 Open forum

15:30 Meeting closes
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no later than 7th April stating if lunch is required.

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