## **Oxenhope Millennium Green Trustees**

## Meeting held on 3 April at the conclusion of the Trust AGM

Present: Ken Eastwood (chair), Richard Berry, Andrew Collinson, Chris Coupland, Celia Holmes, Jeremy Mackrell.

Andrew Collinson wished to raise two matters for the consideration of the trustees.

i) arboriculture

A brief tree survey had been undertaken by Colin Moses. It was apparent that there were a large number of small trees which were not thriving.

Several trees needed to be removed from near the electricity enclosure.

The willow structure needed trimming. A general 'tidy' was required.

The rough estimate given was two days' work at £350 per day ie £700.

ii) Bird boxes

It had been suggested previously that some of the existing bird boxes needed replacing. The estimate for new bird boxes was £15 per box. If bat boxes were to be obtained, these would be £20 each. Therefore the cost for 10 bird boxes and 5 bat boxes would amount to £250.

It was agreed that a full survey of trees and quote for boxes be obtained to form the basis of a bid for funds available from the various grant sources eg wind farm.

There then followed a discussion regarding fund raising generally and in particular the directory of local businesses and sponsorship.

Jeremy Mackrell outlined his plans for reviving this vital fund raising stream.

Fellow trustees thanked him for taking this on and pledged their support and good wishes for a successful outcome.