

York Group report to Area Council, October 11, 2008

Our stand at the annual Rowntree Park celebrations on July 13 appeared to be successful, although we could have distributed more leaflets [our own and GYBO] if available.

Our coach ramble on September 28 was enjoyed by all on the coach, and broke even with 39 ramblers. We offered three walks [6,8,12 miles] but may have to reconsider length as only 2 people opted for the short walk, and there was a longish wait until the A walkers could rejoin the coach.

We are concerned that the maintenance backlog on North Yorkshire's path network outside the 2 Parks has more than tripled over the last 4 years, from 1 year's backlog to 3 years work (9575 issues). The budget allowance for work on bridges this year is only £20K, with an estimated backlog of £3M.

Following the success of our New members' evening in April, we plan to hold another during this coming year, probably at a larger venue.

Our stock of Hi-Vis jackets has almost sold out, as many other groups have taken up the offer.