

Agenda Item 8.

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Sent: 26 May 2022 12:28
To: info@duddonparishcouncil.org.uk
Subject: Re: query on Donkey Rock, Foxfield Road

Further to my request for information about the status of Donkey Rock, please see my original email (20/02/2022) at the bottom of this text.

I trust that the council now accepts that the area known as Donkey Rock does not have any protection (aside from geological) in the form of a SSSI. Nor is it likely to ever achieve that status.

However, as I stated before, it has an unusual variety of wildlife which justifies further monitoring. It may be that the site does meet the requirements of a County Wildlife Site in Cumbria, but gathering such data may take several years. In the meantime, I would be obliged to know if there is at any stage informal plans to modify the vegetation on the site, such as attempts to permanently clear areas, use pesticides, etc, which would be very detrimental to any species having even part of their life cycle in that area.

I trust the council has no objection in principle to the idea of the area attaining CWS status, if such information was collected that justified its inclusion in the Cumbrian list.

Regards