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Dear Mrs Saunders,

Creation of Pond (retrospective) at land West of Little Hilla Green Farm, Hackness

Thank you for your letter of 22nd January which we spoke about this morning.

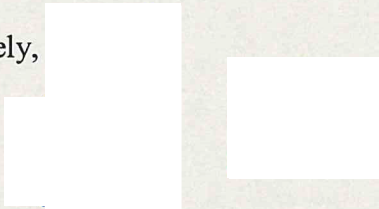
As I mentioned the new footbridge comprises of two fairly substantial larch trunks. The handrail is in wood. The footbridge is necessary to be able to complete a walk around the pond without having to divert quite substantially to get above the gap caused by the spring. From a personal point of view my mobility is fairly impaired and I would find it difficult to walk round the diversion and with the footbridge this is not necessary.

The waterfall at the Eastern end into the lower pond, to my way of thinking, fits in very well with the general amenity and it would be a pity to alter it.

I take your point about the fish. There are wild trout in the lower pond which have arrived there from the connection with the adjacent Troutdale Beck and they have flourished. There are no fish in the new upper pond, and I have no intention of putting fish of any sort into the upper pond unless it were some wild trout which had been caught in the lower pond. I take your point about the invertebrates.

I hope the NYMNPA would be pleased with the pond as everyone who I have talked to feels it is a great enhancement to the dale.

Yours sincerely,



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