

REPORT OF THE HEAD DOWNSKEEPER

Report of the: Head Downskeeper
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Annexes/Appendices (attached): None
Other available papers (not attached): N/A

REPORT SUMMARY

To receive the report of the Head Downskeeper.

1 Events.

1.1 The events held on the Downs since the last meeting of the Conservators have been Cross Country and Road runs. While they unfortunately were held in appalling weather conditions, they have passed without concern to the Downskeepers.

2 Winter Work Programme.

2.1 The winter Work Programme is well in hand. The priority areas at Riflebutts Alley, Langley Vale and Middle Hill have been completed. As usual the prevailing weather conditions have had an impact, but in the main all works identified will be completed on schedule. In addition a number of specific projects were undertaken in response to requests from stakeholders.

3 Hack Post Refurbishment.

3.1 Work to refurbish hack posts has been highly successful, with the sign posting much improved. The materials used were all reclaimed wood, and the sign writing has been carried out in-house by the Downskeepers.