

# friends of WARTON CRAG LOCAL NATURE RESERVE

15<sup>th</sup> January 2022

## Managing Woods for Wildlife

We were out in the woods again this month, it was a lovely cold sunny day and lots of visitors were out enjoying the crag. It's always appreciated when visitors stop and thank us for our hard work, and it's also a fantastic opportunity for the group to talk to people about the importance of the work we do.

This month the volunteers were back in a previously visited woodland area, which still needed some work to provide the ideal balance of mixed habitats. Ash trees suffering from ash die back that had been felled were chopped up and removed. The brash was piled into habitat piles and areas cleared to create open glades.

We worked alongside the Silverdale Wood bank on this task. This volunteer community group is dedicated to help manage our local woodlands. In return for their labour they get a share of logs for their use, but they also provide wood for people in fuel poverty.



Save the date Saturday **19<sup>th</sup> February.**

Coppicing- An introduction to this traditional method of woodland management.