

friends of WARTON CRAG LOCAL NATURE RESERVE

18TH June 2022

Why Monitor Grasslands?

It is always important to check that the management of our grasslands is doing the job we want it to. In most instances, this is creating conditions to maximise the diversity of plants and animals present. Essentially monitoring helps to keep an eye on the site, it provides data over a number of years which will help us and future managers to ensure that the most effective management regime is in place.

The FoWC completed ten transects focusing on the grassland below the quarry face, spotting a few notable species such as the Bee Orchid and Dark Red Helleborine.

Most of us are novices but after a few transects we managed to get our eye in and we started to recognize familiar plants. Well done everyone!



Save the date:
Next task - **Saturday 16th July**