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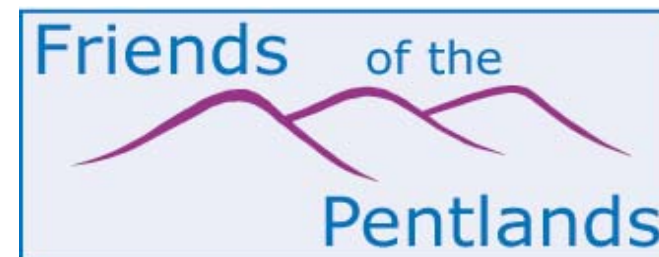
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## FRIENDS OF THE PENTLANDS SOCIETY

Scottish Charity No: SC 035514

Chairman: Mr John Stirling

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**Join us today to protect the future of  
the Pentland Hills**

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## **VISION**

The Friends of the Pentlands Society seeks to act as a catalyst to promote the conservation, protection and enhancement of the Pentland Hills, with particular emphasis on recreational quality, public access, cultural heritage, landscape and biodiversity.

It was the wish of the Founder Members that the Society's work would demonstrate its all-embracing aspirations, and its enthusiasm for integrated action and advocacy. It seeks to be anticipatory of change, advisory on land usage, educational, active in areas where threats are perceived and, above all, visionary in its approach to the environmental protection and enhancement of the Pentland Hills.

## **AREA OF INTEREST**

The Society has defined its area of interest as being the area delineated by:

- The Regional Park in the north
- The A702 in the east
- The A70 in the west
- The minor road from Dolphinton, via Dunsyre to Newbigging, and then to Carnwath in the south.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Society came into being as a result of two specific objectives in the Pentland Hills Regional Park Integrated Management Strategy. First, a commitment to establish "an independent friends group" and,

second, a commitment to "encourage wider participation by the public".

The initial meeting to establish the Society was held in March 2003. Since then a Constitution has been adopted, an Executive Committee has been elected, an Action Plan has been drafted and a Newsletter and website established.

## **THE RECENT PAST**

During 2007 the Society held regular walks, two talks, a number of badger watches and three 'Teas & Cakes' days to raise funds for conservation projects. We have also assisted the Ranger Service with tree planting, the erection of bird boxes and, with support from Currie Balerno Rotary, arranged and funded the reconstruction of the pond in the Harlaw wild life garden. In 2006 we undertook a major waymarking project in the SW Pentlands and by the end of 2007 we will have established a new bird hide at Threipmuir.

## **THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE**

A programme of walks and other activities for 2008 has been drawn up. We are currently committed to the establishment of a wild life meadow at Bavelaw and the establishment of a new path from Boghall to Castlelaw and are considering some further projects.

There is lots to do – come and join in. It's good for Hills to have Friends!