

Thorne and Hatfield Moors Oral History Project

Interview with: Brian Duffield

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SUMMARY

Brian Duffield is a Town councillor on Crowle Town Council and an observer for the Council at the Thorne & Hatfield Moors Conservation Forum

Childhood memories of riding on peat train to Swinefleet Mill.

Stan Oughtibridge –Lion Tamer. living at Swinefleet Mill.

Women labourers in Swinefleet Peat Mill – fatal accident

Hand gravers.

Horse-drawn wagons to Medge Hall Mill. Mr Kempen

Description of Crowle Moor when he was a child

His conservation activities

Comments on buy-out from Scotts

Conservation problems – fly-tipping, peat cutting (including current enquiry into activities on Crowle Moor)

Description of Crowle Moors today – flora & fauna

English Nature's proposal to declassify SSSI – meeting at Thorne Grammar School