

CYCLING UK-READING

COMMITTEE MEETING: 20 December 22: MINUTES: FINAL

1. Attendees:

Sel Dixon; Mike Hardiman; Pete Nightingale; Mick Simmons; Jeanette Jeans; Edwin Raj; Simon Bird; Al Neal

2. Apologies:

2.1 Karen Robertson; Ian Doyle

3. Welfare:

3.1 Nil to report

4. Minutes of last committee meeting (held 13 Sept 22:

4.1 Proposed by Mike, Seconded by Pete

Action: Sel to send final minutes to Committee: Al to upload to website

5. Club Secretary (Sel):

5.1 Leader List. After last meeting Sel and Simon discovered that CUK had not transferred our list of leaders onto Assemble database, necessitating a complete repopulation of the list in a CUKHQ specified format. This was done in September. Tom Page of CUK has confirmed all the leaders on the list have now been formally registered with CUK HQ.

Action: Sel and Simon to review again to ensure it is up to date

5.2 Membership Communication. Use of HQ portal to communicate with group members to be investigated again with a view to issuing a weekly summary of upcoming rides via email

Action: Sel and Simon

6. AGM:

6.1 Action 1: Funds from Audax and other cycling related events. (see 5.3 below)

6.3 Action 2: Constitution Review –Constitution updated by Sel to reflect name change and committee positions and circulated.

Action: Committee Members to review and propose any amendments. We can then propose for adoption at the AGM

5 Finance Report (Mike):

5.1 Mike's Financial report to 30 November circulated and reviewed (see attached) current balance is £2375 reflecting a surplus of £39.

5.3 HSBC have now introduced a £60/year charge. Free banking options to be investigated. – Co-Op Bank suggested as a good alternative, though fear is that they may all move to a monthly charge sooner. Committee agreed with Mike's proposal to hold on changing pending the outcome of the review into

possible transfer to affiliate status.

5.4 Funds from Cycling Events:

Following agreement on way forward at the last meeting, Sel proposed the following wording for the Constitution.

“Organisers are to provide the name of any charity(s) that the organiser would like to support to the Committee prior to the event. The Committee will check that the proposed charity(s) meets CUK acceptance criteria and reach an agreement with the Organiser on where any surplus is to be paid. After the event the organiser must present a detailed account of income and expenditure for review / audit by the Club Treasurer and pay any surplus to the MG accounts. The Treasurer will then make any agreed charitable donations to the selected Charities.

In exceptional circumstances where there is an identified need for funds, the Committee may require any surplus to be retained by the MG.”

Action: Committee member to review

Action: Simon to advise Audax organisers of the updated financial requirements.

6. Ride Secretary Report (Simon):

6.1 Simon Standing down at April AGM after XX years in the role. Replacement to be sought in advance.

6.2 Train assist ride held using Elizabeth Line to explore East London.

7. Road Report (Edwin):

7.1 Tuesday, Wednesday and Wed Night, well supported. 32 out on last Tuesday ride and 15 a normal number for Wednesdays.

7.2 Ongoing Problem with Sunday Leaders and attendance

7.3 Freezing conditions have been an issue through December

8. Off Road Report (Ian):

8.1 Local Rides on Wed evening and Sunday Rides continue to be well supported

8.2 Short rides on Wed nights continuing into Winter for the first time. Mickey Lenihan leading most of these.

8.3 Weekends Past:

01/02 October ONA to Andover with Pete Nightingale

05/06 November Hindhead – Punchbowl Hotel with Phil and Becky

8.4 Weekends Future:

New Year 2023 – 4 nights in Betws-y-Coed with Sel Dixon

17-19 January – 2 Nights in Forest of Dean Hotel with Sel Dixon

9. Events (Jeanette).

9.1 Wed Night “End of Summertime Curry” held on for 02 November with good attendance Road and OffRoad–

9.2 Xmas Lunch held on Sunday 11 December at the Butchers arms 20 attended - sold out.

9.3 Sweeney Pie Night to be arranged for Friday 20 January

10. Publicity Officer (Pete Nightingale)

10.1 New Facebook page created with link to rides list to create as re-occurring events as an experiment to determine usefulness.

10.2 Link to Instagram established

11. Campaigns Officer: (Karen)

11.1 No new update

12. Webmaster Report (AI):

12.1 Comment made that website was running slowly – may be databases. Ian Doyle and Edwin noting it is painful adding rides to the website. AI believed this is now fixed

Action: Feedback from Jeanette and Ian

12.4 “Readingctc.org.uk” now lapsed. No consequence

12.5 Simon to act as deputy Webmaster to assist AI as required.

13. Membership Secretary (Sel):

13.1 Club Membership Status: Informal soundings from members indicate that the 3rd Party insurance provided by full CUK membership is seen as a major benefit. It would appear that many people do not have a similar level of insurance included as part of their home insurance package and that a Club move to affiliate status would not have adequate support. (eg. To retain their current level of 3rd Party Insurance some would have to remain members of CUK as well as paying for Affiliate club membership). In the absence of significant support for change the Committee agreed CUK Reading should currently remain a Full Member of CUK.

14. AOB:

14.1 Date of Next AGM. Following poor turnout at AGM 22, Committee agreed to revert to a Sunday afternoon AGM in 2023. Tentatively proposed 30 April. Arrangements to be agreed at next Committee Meeting.

15. Date of next meeting:

15.1 Tuesday 28th February 22; (Subject to availability of committee members)

1930hrs start. Venue Griffin or Biscuit Factory TBC