

CYCLING UK-READING

COMMITTEE MEETING: 09 JANUARY 24: MINUTES: FINAL

1. Attendees:

Sel Dixon; Mike Hardiman; Pete Nightingale; Ian Doyle; Edwin Raj

2. Apologies:

2.1 Karen Robertson; Ian Collier; Al Neal; Jeanette Jeans

3. Safeguarding:

3.1 Nothing to report. Noted need to seek a new Safeguarding Officer at AGM24

4. Minutes of last committee meeting (held 26 September 23:

4.1 Draft minute 7.3 to be corrected to reflect Mike Hardiman comments in Financial Report

4.2 Subject to 4.1 Minutes were proposed as an accurate representation of our meeting by Pete; Seconded by Ian

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

5. Club Secretary (Sel):

5.1 Membership Communication. Use of HQ portal to communicate with group members – noting the limitations (ie A few members who ride with us but live in another DA area will not receive such communications)

Action: Sel to meet with Pete to review the portal

5.2 National Recognition Criteria and Nominations. Morris Dowling's nomination of Rob Butler for National recognition approved. Committee noted a number of other individuals who have been longstanding in the club might also qualify

Action: Sel to advise Morris that Committee support Rob's nomination

Action: Sel to investigate whether National Criteria exist to qualify for such nominations

5.2 Committee Member JDs. These need to be written to avoid confusion between members.

Action: Sel to draft some outline JDs for review at next Committee Meeting

6. AGM:

6.1 Formal approval of AGM 22 and 23 minutes to be sought at AGM24

6.2 AGM 2024 date proposed as Sunday 14 April. The Griffin proposed as a free venue however alternatively we could revert to a Village or Church Hall with T and Coffee etc. Edwin to advise on availability of St Annes Church Hall and costs. Final venue then to be agreed.

Action: Sel and Edwin

6.3 AGM24 advance notice to be posted on Website when Venue details known

Action: Al Neal

6.4 AGM24 arrangements to be finalised at next Committee Meeting

7. Finance Report (Mike):

7.1 Mike's Financial report to 31 December circulated and reviewed (see attached) current balance is £2423 reflecting a surplus of £81

7.2 Mike confirmed he has progressed the transfer to Co-Op Bank but has hit problems. We don't fit the Co-op norms for a charity account as we are a local office. Mike liaising with CUK HQ to resolve. 45 Day process and some concern we might overrun and have to start again. Hopefully not!

Action: Mike to progress transfer to CO- OP bank

7.3 Increasing National Contribution to Member Groups. This has now been fixed at £200 for a few years and is now being significantly devalued by inflation. In 2021 the financial accounting was put back by 6 months which also effectively reduced annual payment by £100 for each member group. Email communication from Mike to HQ has been ignored. HQ silence is unacceptable and Mike proposed we should chase HQ for a response Committee agreed.

Action: Sel to take up with Group Liaison (Tom's replacement) and review how we raise an HQ AGM in the absence of an adequate response.

7.4 Audax Donations Committee agreed to make audax donations as suggested by Mike. Ie. £135 to Air Ambulance and £135 to Cyclist Defence Fund. Residual £19.76 from Dinton Audax to be retained by CUK Reading.

Action: Mike to make donations to TVAA and CDF in line with the above

Action: Sel to contact Titus Halliwell to advise on new requirements for CUK supported events for Kennet Valley Audax

7.5 Publicity Funding. £150 in 23/24 budget for Cycling promotion. £40 for RCC advert leaving £110 available. Pete advised £32 expended to date on social media promotions.

8. Ride Secretary Report (Ian C):

9. Road Report (Jeanette):

10. Off Road Report (Ian):

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

10.2 Weekends Past:

October Weekend to Forest of Dean with Becky and Phil

New Year: 4 nights in Llanwyrd Wells with Sel and Helen

All well supported with about 16 people attending

10.3 Weekends Future:

Feb Weekend planned to Rising Sun at Cleeve Hill with Sel and Helen

11. Events (Edwin).

11.1 Wed Night “Summers Over Chinese” held 25 October at “King Fu Kitchen”. Thanks to Pete

11.2 Sunday Xmas Meal held 03 December at the White Horse Emma Green. Very well supported with 35 people. Thanks to Edwin for arranging

11.3 Edwin arranged A tale of two beauties CUK Audax on 18 November 100km and 50km. Enjoyed by 102 People. Accounts submitted to Mike for approval. Committee agreed with Edwins request that the £880 surplus be donated to RBH.

11.4 Provisional Pie Night at Sweeneys in January to be arranged Edwin arranging.

11.5 Possible Quiz evening in May.

12. Publicity Officer (Pete Nightingale)

12.1 Facebook Page saga. Pete now understands that Karen may have a password and be able to unlock the old page. If so, it would be better to re-establish the old page rather than starting anew.

Action: Pete to contact Karen and, re-establish access to the old page if possible. New page would then be deleted.

12.2 Consider putting up cards /A5 flyers on Libraries noticeboards etc

Action: Pete to review

13. Campaigns Officer: (Karen)

13.1 Committee thanked Karen for providing an update in her absence. There was inadequate time to discuss all Karen’s items but following main issues were discussed.

13.2 Committee agreed with Karen’s suggestion that CUK set up a programme of regular social rides for newcomers with Council funding support.

Action: Karen to confirm details and how we apply to do this. Sel, Edwin and Pete happy to volunteer. Other Volunteers to be sought when details known

13.3 Consultations – need to encourage more Cyclists to respond. Eg. Kings Road bus lane changes – 1000 private hire vehicles repoded by very few cyclists.

Action: publicise changes via Google Group and generally encourage feedback from our members

13.4 CUKR A5 Flyer/publicity. Karen seeking more publicity material to hand out at events.

Action: Pete to review stocks of publicity material and investigate replenishment

14. Webmaster Report (AI):

14.1 Nothing new to report

15. AOB:

15.1 Nothing raised

16. Date of next meeting:

16.1 Tuesday 12th March 24 (Subject to availability of committee members)

1930hrs start. Venue: Griffin Meeting Room