

OWW Committee Meeting

Tuesday 4th February 2020 7.30 – 9.00 pm

The Plough Wolvercote

MINUTES

1. Apologies – Webmaster.

2. Minutes of last meeting – agreed as accurate

3. Chair

Due to an oversight JP's offer to join the committee was not actioned at the AGM. JP was now proposed as a committee member by Secretary and seconded by WOP2.

OS Maps subscription is due for renewal. It was agreed this facility is useful and we should renew (cost £80 to £100 depending on available discounts). It was noted that we should publicise the OS map availability to the membership in conjunction with encouraging new walk leaders. New walk leaders will need to contact Walks Sec to be set up on the system.

4. Walks

Programme currently very sparse with only one walk planned after next weekend.

Membership Sec offered to put on a walk if necessary but we would like others to come forward if possible. **Chair will contact membership encouraging new walk leaders.**

Chair will write up a Walk Leaders Guide and include references/links to sources of walks e.g. Ramblers, Cotswold Voluntary Wardens. Walks Sec & WOP1 will review the guide.

All committee members should encourage and offer support to all members to consider becoming walk leaders.

The Ramblers have national Walk Leader training programmes. **Chair will check local dates & venues.**

5. Socials

GP has identified 2 O2 gigs which he may submit as socials.

Meal at the end of January went well with 15+ attending.

Treasurer suggested we enter quiz in aid of Voluntary Service Overseas.

Advice required from Webmaster on how to post socials.

Pub stops after the walks continue to be successful.

JP has volunteered to be Social Secretary.

6. Membership

Now stands at 131. We have 6 new members but have lost some who have not renewed.

Webmaster needs to be informed of membership to ensure email lists are correct.

Discussion on this in relation to GDPR. It may be that Membership Secretary will have to update lists in future. **Chair will discuss with Webmaster on how we do this.**

WOP1 advised she does not receive emails. This may be as she was not given option to opt in. **WOP1 will check the website**

7. Finance

Bank account stands at £366. Very small deficit over the year but it is noted Area have funds available if required.

It is unclear what our website and telecom costs are. **Chair will check this with Webmaster.**

8. Web

Webmaster not present at the meeting. **Chair will contact him to discuss web admin.**

9. Publicity

Leaflets obtained by previous Chair distributed for committee members to use as required.

GP has a poster which could be useful and he will email it to the committee.

It was noted that numbers on walks are good and that whilst we are welcoming and encouraging to new members we do not need to focus heavily on publicity.

10. Area

Main points from most recent meeting attended by our Area Rep:

Picnic in June. We will be leading a walk to finish in Henley.

White Horse show is at end of August.

We are not attending Countryfile this year.

Area secretary has a list of equipment available to be borrowed.

Henley and Goring group led a protest walk.

20s and 30s are considering a name change to "Hike Oxfordshire".

Confirmation that walk leaders have the authority to adjust advertised walks, especially re health and safety issues such as extreme temperatures.

11. AOB

GP pointed out the AGM should not be held in a public place and we should hire a village hall or other suitable premises in future. This was noted by Chair.

Chair would like to encourage more weekends away. **Chair will work with WOP2 to draw up guidance on this.**

WOP1 has access to apartments in St Ives which would be a good base for walking holidays for the group.

Chair and Secretary will liaise to agree dates for meetings for the remainder of this year.