

OWW Committee Meeting

Wednesday 13th October 2021 7.30 – 9.00 pm

The Plough, Wolvercote

MINUTES

1. Apologies – Treasurer, Without Portfolio 1 and Without Portfolio 2. Webmaster not present.
2. Minutes of last meeting – agreed as accurate
3. Matters arising – to be discussed at relevant agenda item
4. Chair

Without Portfolio 1 (MS) has left the committee having moved away from the area. Thank you to her for her past work and support.
5. AGM

Date switched from Sunday 14th November to Sunday 21st November as venue (The Plough) is unable to accommodate us on the 14th.

Chair will advise area of date change.

Social Secretary will post date on our website.

AGM will be live (not by Zoom).

Membership Secretary will arrange and lead a walk from Wolvercote prior to the meeting.

Walks Secretary will arrange Walk Leader prizes and advise costs to Treasurer.

Without Portfolio 1 is standing down but other committee members are prepared to continue. Ideally we would like one or two people to share or assist with the Walks Secretary role.

Chair will email members to advise the current committee is prepared to continue but that new members would be welcomed.

AGM agenda agreed as follows;

 1. Apologies
 2. Minutes of the AGM held on 8th November 2020
 3. Reports from current Committee
 - a. Chair
 - b. Walks Programme Secretary
 - c. Membership Secretary
 - d. Group Representative to Area Executive
 - e. Social Secretary
 - f. Webmaster
 - g. Treasurer
 4. Walk leaders draw/prizes
 5. Stand down of current Committee
 6. Election of new Committee
 7. Any other business
6. Walks

Very much back to normal. Open walks are working well (although Walk Leaders can still limit numbers if they wish) and risk assessments are being completed.

There has been some discussion re dogs on walks and we should always specify that dogs are allowed, or allowed only on a lead, or assistance dogs only. Walk Leaders should enforce this.
7. Socials

Nothing since last meeting but Social Secretary will consider the idea of future weekends away.

We will not organise a Christmas meal this year but Membership Secretary will arrange an evening drinks event, possibly involving walking between pubs.

Chair will post an item on Social Media encouraging members to send ideas for social events to the Social Secretary.

8. Membership.
Currently 144, up net two since last meeting.
9. Finance
Treasurer unable to attend but has emailed to advise that the accounts are complete and submitted and currently with the independent auditor. Advises that main items of expenditure are £100 for the OS subscription, £40 for Zoom and also small amounts on Walk Leader prizes, IT/Comms and postcards and business cards for publicity.
10. Web
Nothing to report.
11. Publicity
We have purchased postcards and business cards (at a cost of £36.50) which can be used to place on noticeboards, hand to prospective members etc. Stocks are with Chair and Walks Secretary.
12. Area
Discussion of rights of way survey. Still many areas to be done.
Finances very healthy, £8904 available.
Some members do not allocate themselves to a group. Membership Secretary will send Secretary of Area group a link to our website to assist her in allocating new members to most appropriate group if required.
Question of booklets still being discussed but not relevant to OWW as we have made our position clear.
Area are concerned about a proposed campsite development at White Horse Hill and will monitor progress.
13. AOB
Discussion of walks in aid of charities. We should exercise care as there are regulations governing inter charity donations.