

Ramblers East Cheshire Group

Minutes of the committee meeting held on Friday 24th June 2016

Present John Edwards – Chairman
Colin Finlayson – Treasurer
Mike Bull – Membership Secretary
Jane Gray – Social Secretary
David Bates – Footpath Committee representative
Sue Munslow
Kathryn Carty
Adrian Flinn – Secretary

1. Apologies

Andy Davies

2. Minutes of meeting held on 26th April 2016

Approved

3. Matters arising from last meeting

- Eventbrite website to be considered for this year's National Ramblers Festival. **Action:** carried forward
JG

4. New Issues

- 4.1** Inform Publicity (Roger Norton) of available websites to advertise the Walking Festival. **Action: SM**
- 4.2** Kathryn Carty will take over as Weekend Medium Walks Coordinator. **Action:** Place a notice in the website **DB**
- 4.3** Footpath Inspections Report to be placed on website for information to a wider audience to highlight the good work done by the Footpath Committee and Inspectors to preserve our footpaths. **Action: DB**
- 4.4** Stockport CCSI (advertising/promotion) no point in continuing/keeping this going. **Action: CF** will check file and stop

- 4.5** Incident Reports (serious only) process statement to be added when the next 6 monthly walk list is issued to remind walk leaders/ membership. **Action: DB**
- 4.6** Medical Cards – an additional batch of 300 will be printed with an amendment to include “Medications”.
Action: DB
Walkers are strongly encouraged to carry a medical card or similar in case of an emergency during a walk. Medical cards when available will be distributed to walkers on request through Walk Coordinators via Walk Leaders
- 4.7** Annual Budget Review – see 5.2 below

5. Reports from Officers

5.1 Chairman

- The Walk Leaders Training Workshop (12 participants + 3 Committee members) will take place on 9th February 2017. The cost is £10/head (a 4th of the actual cost and the rest will be subsidized from our funds. **Action:** A notice will be added to the next Social & Events Calendar **JG**

5.2 Treasurer

- A donation of £124 was received from Linda Brackenby
- Bank balance was £9570.43 at 27th March 2016
- The RA Volunteer Day was held in Manchester on 14th May. The Treasurers Training Workshop was attended by CF and the Leading Group Walks Workshop was attended by Christine Brear. A report on the Leading Walks Workshop will be requested to encourage potential Walk Leaders to attend this event in the future
Action: MB.
- 2016 Annual Budget Review. A checklist was circulated for review, discussion and agreement. The deadline for submitting our final budget application to Area is 22nd July 2016. This draft proposal was unanimously agreed by the Committee. The final

budget will be reviewed and agreed on Monday, 11th July 2016 at 16.00 (venue in Treasurer house). **Action: JE, CF, AF and DB**

5.3 Membership Secretary

- Our total membership number in June 2016 was 630
- Revised recruitment leaflets were issued by Ramblers Central Office to reflect the increase in the annual subscription (50p for both individual and joint membership). Leaflets available for distribution to Walk Leaders from Committee members

5.4 Social Secretary

- the draft of the Social & Events Calendar for July – December 2016 was reviewed and the final version will be posted in the website. **Action: JG**

5.5 Footpath

- the next meeting is scheduled on 6th July 2016

5.6 Publicity

Nothing to report

6. AOB

- the Committee acknowledged the sterling work that David put into conducting the role of Secretary

Next Meeting

Date: Friday 16th September 2016

Time: 13.00 hrs

Venue: Treasurer house

Adrian Flinn – Secretary

16 July 2016

