

LDWA East Lancs Group

Minutes of the Meeting Held at 8pm on Tuesday 6th August 2019

at the Doffcocker Inn, Chorley Old Road, Bolton BL1 5QD.

Present:

Hilary Scott (HS)	Chair / IT Secretary
Roger Jackson (RJ)	Secretary
Viv Lee (VL)	Social Secretary
David Walsh (DW)	Walks Secretary
Caroline Tennant (CT)	Events Secretary
Gordon Stone	Ordinary Committee Member
Paul Wadsworth (PW)	Ordinary Committee Member
Ken Noble (KN)	Ordinary Committee Member
Pauline Meilia (PM)	Ordinary Committee Member
Ian Hamilton (IH)	Jane Hill (JH)
Steve Clarke (SC)	Sue Boardman (SB)
Nick Halford (NH)	Alison Wadsworth (AW)
Paul Raine (PR)	Peter Balshaw
Ian Hamilton (IH)	

Apologies

Mike Bushby (MB)	Paul Allen
Nick Halford (NH)	Hilary Scott (HS)
	Alma Walsh (AW)

The Group was quorate and the meeting opened at 8.00 pm and closed at 08.55 pm.

1. Minutes of the Last Meeting:

The Minutes were accepted as a true record of July's meeting.

2. Matters Arising:

19.01 Ongoing discussion of spending some funds.

VL has established contact with 'Friends of Redisher Woods'. A meeting will be established shortly, to establish where East Lancs would wish repair work to occur, with a view to a possible donation to assist with these costs. Will report back for the group's consideration on this **May Update:** A meeting has now been arranged to view the area concerned and then a decision can be made. **June Update:** VL has had a meeting with Dave Chadwick and others to discuss the required Redisher Woods footpath improvements, in particular ones related to the Two Crosses event. The full estimate for the work is £8000 to £10000. It will be completed by a contractor who does regular work for the council and can be done either in one go or in several stages as the money is available. Crowd

funding is being considered with various groups including 'Ramblers' as possibilities. Also, we are applying to the NEC to see if they can help. VL suggested East Lancs LDWA offer to contribute £1000, which was proposed by the Chair and agreed by the meeting. **July Update:** HS has contacted Dave Chadwick concerning our contribution. Also, VL/CT have put together a detailed proposal, requesting additional funds, to be sent to the NEC. **Action:** HS to send proposal to NEC in time before next NEC meeting. **August Update:** HS sent the proposal to the NEC; it was accepted and the full £1000 granted. She has also informed Dave Chadwick of the decision so he can progress the repairs. **Ongoing**

19.04 AGM

Julie Crib, LDWA groups secretary, has asked us for various details, including our AGM date, to which they are planning to send a representative. As it naturally falls on November 5th (Bonfire Night) we thought we should discuss it at the meeting. The date of November 5th was quickly confirmed. **Action:** RJ to send details to Julie. **August Update:** RJ has sent Julie AGM details plus other requested information. She has confirmed receipt. **Closed.**

19.05 LDWA website Bulk Email and Group Detail access.

Julie also contacted us regarding an LDWA decision that all groups should limit each group Bulk Email and Group Detail access to two or three people. Following a brief discussion on how we work currently, we decided to request four people having access justified as follows:
Chair Hilary Scott - Messages to group, loading documentation (Walk Registers, Minutes, Agenda's etc)
Secretary Roger Jackson - Sending out Agenda's, Minutes, Loading documentation (Walk Registers, Minutes, Agenda's etc)
Walks Secretary David Wash - Send out walk related messages to group (particularly walk changes)
Event Secretary Caroline Tennant - Check Member details for event entries, not sure if we can we can separate this from Bulk Access **Action:** RJ to send reply to Julie. **August Update:** RJ has sent our suggested Bulk Email access requirements to Julie, who has commented they seem reasonable, but will need to confirm that with the main NEC committee. **Closed.**

3 Chair and Secretary Update:

I am pleased to inform you of two really good pieces of news this month.

Firstly, the NEC have approved our bid for funding towards the cost of the Redisher Wood footpath improvement. The bid was for £1000. I will keep you informed re progress on the works.

Secondly, we had excellent coverage in Strider for East Lancs marshalling the breakfast stop at the Hadrian Hundred. Viv is happy! Roger was in two photographs, is he now the new pin up boy of the LDWA?

There was also a mention of our PNFS sign with photo plus the tags and badges that all members can have.

July walks were well supported, and the Red Rose 50 committee have been busy preparing for September's event. Our application to use Greenmount Old School was successful and entries are now open for the Two Crosses in March 2020.

4 Treasurer's Update:

The Treasurer forwarded details of our accounts which continue to hold a healthy balance. He has received a cheque for £280 from Cinque Ports 100 - still to be paid in. Not had anything from Hadrian's 100 yet. Viv Lee and Dave Walsh require cheques in relation to RR50 - which will be sorted out in the near future.

5 Event Secretary's Update:

The preparation to change the Two Crosses Headquarters from the Laurel Centre to Greenmount School is now complete and details ready to go into Strider. The two Crosses manual has been updated and we already have five entries for the event on Si-Entries.

6 Walks Secretary's Update:

Details have been provided for some of the January to April program, details for the remaining ones are required over the next few weeks in order to meet the strider deadline.

7 Social Secretary's Update:

VL Hi-lighted the following future events.

Future Events

2019

Nov - Real Ale Ramble, Llanwrytd Wells

Dec – Ghyll Head. Walks in South Lakes. Full.

Dec New Year – Newadd Arms, Llanwrytd Wells fifteen booked (15 people), full but other accommodation available in the town.

2020

Jan - The Old Vicarage - We need to start booking.

Feb - Keswick – Fully Booked 18 people.

April – South West Coast Path. Based Weymouth.

May – The Welsh 100 Accommodation at Longtown Outdoor Centre.

For further details or to book a place please contact the Social Secretary, Viv.

8 IT Secretary's Update:

All walks have a write up on the website plus photographs are available. No other website issues currently. I have not posted in Facebook as much this month so visits to that site are down. No one has posted in the group Facebook site.

9 Red Rose 50:

RJ gave a brief update

Entries - Red Rose 50 2019 details on Si-Entries and East Lancs web site, we have 82 people entered to date.

RJ has emailed all other group secretaries asking if they could publicise the event, among their members, and has received a very positive response.

As numbers for event lower expected, we agreed that the few marshals who wished to do the event could be released from their duties to do so. Any marshal this applies to should contact Viv Lee. Staffing rota will need to be changed accordingly.

10 Money from Hadrian 100 / Cinque Ports 100

As the amount of money, to be received from the Hadrian 100, has not as yet been confirmed the discussion centred on how to use the £230 received recently from the Cinque Ports 100. One suggestion was that it could be added to the Red Rose 50 fund to help cover possible loses this year, another was to do as in previous years and give a small amount to each of the Breakfast Checkpoint marshals to help cover expenses. There was no vote held but the general feeling was to do as in previous years but also to allow each individual to instead contribute to the Red Rose 50 fund, should they wish.

11 Normans Little Safari.

Norman has led this walk for the last few years, which includes lunch at Curley's Trout Fishery. For the previous two years he has booked the room upstairs for our party. However, this year the manager asked for a booking fee of £40, though later offered to accept a £50 refundable fee if there are more than twenty-five people. Obviously, we can't always guarantee twenty-five people particularly in bad weather. Having discussed the options, we decided not to book the upstairs room but, as we start the walk from near Curley's, people should pre-book and pay before setting off, perhaps encouraging the possibility of the restaurant putting us in the upstairs room for their own convenience.

Date and Time of the Next Meeting.

8pm, on Tuesday, 3rd September 2019.

at the Doffcocker Inn, Chorley Old Road, Bolton BL1 5QD.

Sandwiches will be provided.

ALL WELCOME