LDWA WEST LANCASHIRE GROUP

Group Meeting Monday 19th November 2018 at 7.45pm **Sea View Whittle le Woods**

	Apologies:	Action
	Apologies were received. Sue & Steve Fagg, Glyn & Julie Watson, Jeff & Enid Parr, Kate Motley, Karen Wardle & Pat Fergusson.	
	16 members were in attendance.	
	Notes of the last meeting Notes of last meeting were not available as they were lost when Ian's computer broke.	Action:
	Ian explained how he had lost his most recent work saved on his computer.	
	John raised the question does this not vindicate our decision to purchase a laptop?	
1	Past & future walks David summarised past and future walks. All available on the website. The Tuesday walks remain very popular. It was noted that the longer Strider walks are not so popular.	Thanks to David and Sue for the organization of walks and to the leaders
	The remembrance walk on 11 th November- 13 met + 3 at the monument. Doreen led an enjoyable walk which she has been doing now for several years. Doreen now feels the time has come for someone else to take over.	Someone needs to be found to replace Doreen as walk leader on future remembrance days.
2	Lancashire Way Northern Loop Neil presented his plan for walking the 108 miles of the Northern loop in 7 days and in two stages.	Members to be emailed with dates and details to be put onto our website.
3	Amble Ian gave an update on the two marshals walks. These were certainly worth doing. On each day a leader was nominated who was not familiar with the walk so that we were relying on their ability to follow the route as described. This flagged up several points on the route where there was confusion in the wording, which needed to be altered to clarify exactly where the route was. The Fires this year over Winter Hill have clearly altered the landscape with new firebreaks now in place which also needed mentioning in the description.	
	It was identified that maintenance work was needed to a bridge and a style.	John purchased materials and carried out repair work.
	As previously mentioned, the village hall floor will need to be totally	John purchased floor

	covered.	covering. Total cost £100
	John T has made another wind shield.	
	Duty list needs to be circulated	Ian
4	Plod To date numbers are 30% up on last year	
5	Laptop	
	Again, the purchase of a laptop was discussed. Questions were asked again on how much we were prepared to pay. Where did £1000 figure come from? John explained that this how much it would cost to purchase an all singing all dancing Apple PC which was not needed.	
	Ian mentioned that as far as he was concerned it was not necessary to spend a lot on the laptop. He went on to give his thoughts on the difficulties of subscribing to Word, Excel and PowerPoint (based on his experience of doing this for the Fylde Ramblers).	
	There was a suggestion that all we really did need was a Flash stick!	
6.	AOB Coast to Coast to be completed in two parts	
	There is an expression of interest email to be sent out to members Date(s) suggested June and early September.	Ian
	John reiterated he is to stand down as Chairman in 2019. To mention this at every meeting, in order for someone to consider this position next year.	
	Jane Anthony has taken up the gauntlet of organizing the Tuesday walks under the guidance of Sue Fagg.	
7	Time of meetings Date for AGM 2019 is the 15 th April 2019 Venue Sea View	To be discussed at future meeting
	Meeting closed at 9.10 pm.	