

LDWA WEST LANCASHIRE GROUP

Committee Meeting
Monday 4th March 2019 at 7.45pm
Minutes

	<p>Apologies:</p> <p>Present: John, David, Ian, Glyn, Mike, Andy, Richard, Doreen, Jaq and Karen</p>	
1	<p>Minutes last meeting – John read the minutes of the last committee meeting and matters arising: Ian has donated a lap top for use by the club. Paying White Coppice cricket ground is proving difficult. AGM for 2019 – Committee agreed to pay for hotpot Upkeep of the TRIG point at Darwen Tower The Pudding Plod cost the club £370.00. This was agreed as a successful event and will continue in 2019. A subsidy to primary members will continue, however this will be decided based on the cost of the meal. The date and venue are to be decided. Tuesday walks leaders to try and keep these to 10 miles, unless it is a longer Tuesday walk. The free new year drink has been scrapped. Lancashire Way, 21 members have expressed interest. The club has agreed to pay for a mini-bus on three legs. Coast to Coast first leg. 8 members have booked on this trip. Fish and Chip social walk. To discuss at a later date. No notes/minutes are to be posted following group meetings as these are informal, social events. All relevant information is on the website.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Karen</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ian to make further enquiries</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Karen to book hotpot</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ongoing maintenance programme</p>
2	<p>AGM and hot pot, to be booked</p>	Karen
3	<p>Group meetings and dates for the future David tabled an item asking for clarification re whether the meetings could be held every two months? The meeting decided to postpone a decision, pending the AGM. The new Chair may have some new ideas. It was agreed to continue to hold the meetings at the Sea View.</p>	<p>David proposed seconded by Mike</p>
4	<p>Properly Submitted Motion Ian tabled an AGM letter and timetable to be sent to all primary members</p>	<p>Ian to send to members</p>

5	<p>Accounts</p> <p>Jaq reported: Savings: £4,106.50 Current: £4,950.89. There was some discussion re interest on the accounts, however there was little to be gained from changing banks/accounts.</p> <p>A discussion took place to change the financial year end to January, so that expenditure and accounts could be closed off well in time for the AGM. To be put forward as a substantive motion at the AGM.</p> <p>The following donations were agreed Raynet: £250.00, Air Ambulance: £400.00 & Mountain Rescue £500.00 (this includes donations made at the Amble)</p>	Jaq
6	<p>Donations to BMR, AA, RAYNET & White Coppice</p>	Ian Discussed as above
7	<p>Amble Equipment? any needed?</p> <p>There was a discussion about the equipment used and Ian reported that he would ask the checkpoints to complete a questionnaire, so that an accurate picture could be gained.</p> <p>A general discussion took place in regard to the toilets at the hall. Clearly, they are in high demand in the morning, with John T helping with the toilets that were frequently blocked.</p> <p>There was a suggestion to enquire re portable loo's, however there would be no suitable flat ground for them.</p>	Ian / Mike
8	<p>Committee Meetings set future dates. (4)</p> <p>David asked 'Could the dates of committee meetings be arranged in advance at the start of each year? This would avoid you having to go around the committee members to try and find a date convenient to all but finding that one or more can't make it. I know we have briefly discussed this in the past. If, say, three of the monthly meeting nights during the coming year were pencilled in also as committee meeting nights the committee could meet at, say, 6pm prior to the monthly meeting. If on any of those three dates it was decided a committee meeting was not required or only a brief meeting starting later than 6pm was required, then the committee could be informed of this by email?'</p> <p>It was agreed to discuss this item with the new Chair and Committee</p>	David Discussion
9	<p>Future Committee: proposals and any additional members?</p> <p>David is proposing Jane A, seconded by Karen. Both Doreen and John are to stand down. Neil has expressed an interest in becoming the new Chair, this was warmly welcomed. All committee members are up for re-election. Members, other than John and Doreen, attending this evening agreed they would stand for another year.</p>	Discussion

10	<p>Cakes walk Confirmation of the 2019 Breakfast Bap Tea and Cake walk on the 10th September at £5 a head (provisional 30 booked). This was agreed.</p>	Glyn
11	<p>AOB Ian reported that following his report on the Amble last month, he is keen to continue with SI entries for the Amble in 2020. This was agreed at the club meeting and again by the Committee. Ian has emailed the Data Protection LDWA representative in regard to the 'Register' situation. Awaiting a response. Karen asked for reports for the AGM by the 18th March. There was a discussion in regard to expenses incurred during the year by some members. The majority disagreed with the claiming of expenses, stating that committee members were 'volunteers' and historically (some years ago) those who had claimed expenses, there were instances where it had 'got out of hand'. John submitted a local newspaper article about dogs, not on leads, attacking sheep in the Rivington area. This confirmed that our dog policy, ie dogs on leads is appropriate. Meeting closed.</p>	