**Minutes of the Cycle Somerset Month Meeting**

**Wednesday 7th September 2022**

Present: Graham Farrington, Richard Sykes, Paul Harper, Stephen Coe, Tony Honeybun, Sian Kelly, Craig Bedwell, Arthur Hulls, Phillipa Archer, Jonathan & Karin Sladden, Maurice Pyman, Audrey Allerston, Ian Bright, Peter Hanratty, Joanne O’Hagan

Apologies:

Sue Brooks, Mike Paul, Chris Gill, Kenneth Parsons, Lucy Lang, Peter Williams,

Hazel Bryant, Ross Friend, Robert White

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| **Chairman’s Welcome**:Graham welcomed attendees.**Health and Safety**:There were no reported incidents. Graham to follow up the Helmets article with an article on “positioning”.**Branded Buffs**:Sue had reported that the buffs had arrived. Those at the meeting were invited to add to the list of those who had ordered a buff. Now that the regular attendees at the monthly meeting have ordered, other club members may order through Sue – ride leaders may now spread the word. Buffs cost £10 each to be paid directly to Phillipa noting that they are for buffs. They will be available at the next meeting.**TACC**:There is a gathering at the Market house on Saturday 10th September to publicise/protest at the poor state of the cobbled roundabout. Ian will post an event.Reminder that the canal towpath will be closed for flood defence work between the river and canal – details of diversion route to follow.Stephen reported the ongoing input into the Town map to show connecting cycle routes.**Annual Awards**:The voting for the Coffee Stop and Ride Leader awards were discussed at length! Ride of the Year to be put to the whole Membership to vote. Coffee Stop to be in 3 categories with members having one vote in each – “New”, “Community” and “Others”.**Newsletter**:Winter Prep by Craig for the October issue.Graham on positioning for the September issue.Graham to publicise the “Ride of the Year” voting system – September issue. Presentation at AGM (2/11).Richard to publicise the “Coffee Stop of the Year” voting system – nominations to lists in September Issue and reminder to vote in October; announcement at AGM.Sue to collate the inputs and present at the next meeting.Peter and Paul to investigate the Christmas Lunch.2 cycling books available from Graham.**Maintenance**:Preliminary booking to be placed for next Spring.**AOB**:Peter Williams raised the issue of private rides clashing with posted ones. After discussion, no further action as all rides promote cycling. Graham to respond to Peter.e-mails to be exchanged to verify membership prior to Facebook acceptance.One person had signed up for a third ride and Arthur had requested him to join before being allowed/reinstated on anymore rides. (NB now resolved) | ActionsGrahamSuePhillipaIanStephenGrahamRichardCraigGrahamGrahamRichardSuePeter & PaulGrahamGrahamSian/ Arthur |

The meeting closed at 8:30pm.

Graham Farrington

Chairman

Next Meeting – Wednesday 2nd November 2022