**CYCLE SOMERSET OCTOBER 2023 COMMITTEE MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday 4th October 2023**

**Taunton Quakers Meeting House, Bath Place, Taunton TA1 4EP**

**COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Attendees: Richard Sykes, Sue Brooks, Phillipa Archer, Arthur Hulls, Paul Harper, Jonathan Sladden

Apologies: Audrey Allerston, Paul Ewings

Welcome and Introduction – Chairman

Health & Safety Update – Sue Brooks

Cycling UK Group Membership renewed until 30.9.2024

Sue submitted the updated Ride Leaders list for 2023/24 to Tom Page at Cycling UK which now includes Brian Martin and Trish Kenward removed, Tom Page acknowledged and registered.

Rides and Leaders – Paul E

Further discussion required on the 'cost to use the trailer' by members and payment for fuel so the Ride Leader/Driver of the trailer or car shares are not out of pocket. Automobile Association suggest 28p per mile

Membership Update - Arthur

No change to membership numbers - 104

Finance Update - Phillipa

Phillipa submitted current figures update for Committee.

Richard agreed to retain £400 in the Trailer fund and put the balance into the Good Causes Fund - in response to a point raised by Graham Farrington

Richard approved a donation of £150 for Charity of the Year - On Your Bike. Tracey Mock and Derek Cutler have both been external speakers this year and it also acknowledges the maintenance workshops they have done for the Club

Jonathan Sladden has very generously donated a laptop to the Club which will be set up for Jane Smythe when she takes over from the current Club Secretary, Sue Brooks, in the New Year.

IT Update – Paul E

Nothing to report

Newsletter update – Paul/Peter

Members invited to send in content, photo's etc all contributions very welcome

Ladies Ride update – Audrey

Since the last meeting there were 2 ladies rides in September and 2 rides are planned for October.

The rides are well supported with most filling up.

The Ladies Ride Leader WhatsApp group is proving to be a useful tool for communication between leaders regarding changes to the ride rota

Events update

External speaker arranged for 3rd April 2024 – Sarah Mitchell, CEO of Cycling UK. Sue to arrange her Hotel etc.

Christmas Lunch 2023 - Paul Harper to discuss available dates/Menu with University Centre Somerset