Cycle Somerset

Minutes of committee meeting held on Wednesday 6th March 2024 at the Quaker Meeting House, Taunton

Attended by: Paul Harper (Chair), Audrey Allerston, Philippa Archer, Karin Sladden, Jonathan Sladden, Arthur Hulls, Hazel Bryant, Helen Macgregor (Secretary)

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|  | Item | Discussion | Action |
| 1 | Apologies for absence | Graham Farrington, Paul Ewings |  |
| 2 | Welcome from Chair |  |  |
| 3.  | Minutes of previous meeting | * Minutes of meeting of 7.2.24 were signed off.
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| 4.  | Matters arising | * It was suggested that in future committee meetings should be open to any club member who wishes to attend. Non- committee members must inform the Chair or Secretary in advance of their intention to attend and of any issue they wish to raise. Attendees should be present for the entirety of the meeting. Voting rights continue to be limited to members of the committee.
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| 5.  | Role descriptions | * Revised role descriptions have been agreed, to be posted on website
* Cycle UK have confirmed that there is no need to inform them when new ride leaders are instated and that it is sufficient for RLs to be listed on our website.
* It was clarified that any ride leader who leads an unposted ride (excepting tours) is covered by the Club’s insurance.
* It is the Membership Secretary, not the Treasurer, who now processes membership fees.
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| 6.  | Health and Safety update | Nothing reported |  |
| 7. | Points from EGM | It was agreed that points raised at the EGM (Introductions on rides, more away-days, a range of different length/speed rides, Back on Your Bike) had been addressed. |  |
| 8. | Treasurer update | * Balance stands at £4484.62
* The hire fee for the hall will increase in April to £27.50
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| 9. | Membership update | * Stands at 93 members
* When paying membership fees, members must provide their details on the form sent by the Membership Secretary
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| 10.  | IT update | It was suggested that the website should display a gallery of photos from the past 18 months of rides.  | JS will start this  |
| 11.  | Ladies’ rides | These have been continuing and running well. Rides are planned for the next two months. |  |
| 12.  | Club development | * JS has updated the Garmin/GPX page on the website to complement Brian’s talk this evening.
* Members are asked to send details of any favourite picnic sites to Jonathan.
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| 13.  | Newsletter | * The handover has gone well.
* Members are asked to send any photos or interesting articles (own or from the press) to Graham for inclusion.
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| 14. | Events co-ordinator | 30th Anniversary ride 23rd March: The New Inn has been approached about receiving around 30 cyclists. Paul Harper, Jonathan and Arthur offered to lead rides of varying lengths to arrive in Halse in time for late coffee. It was agreed that coffee and cake would be provided by the club for all members who would like to attend, whether or not they are riding.Barbecue: In the light of information about available facilities, it was agreed that Bishops Hull Hub would be an excellent venue.Summer Saturdays: PH has compiled a list of Summer Saturday away-days. Hazel offered to organise a ride for 10th August.CEO Cycling UK visit: Arthur offered to meet Sarah Mitchell, CEO Cycling UK and be a contact for her and to provide hospitality. It was proposed to form a sub-committee (Arthur, Jonathan, Hazel, Graham) to compile a list of questions.New ride leader protocol: A query was raised as to whether a member who has previously been a ride leader with another club must be on CS list for one year before being able to lead rides with this club. It was agreed that this should be decided on a case by case basis. | PH to ask New Inn to provide cake.AH to provide details of costingsPH to also approach Ian Bright. AH to ask Sue Brooks if she would like to be part of this |
| 15. | Correspondence/feedback | Members are asked to report any spam to Paul Ewings who will inform Tidy HQ |  |
| 16. | Any other business | The Langport cycle route is entering its second phase and is asking for further donations. The club previously gave £500. | To be discussed at next meeting. |
| 17. | Confidentiality | No confidential matters |  |

The meeting closed at 7.30pm