

Committee Meeting 10^h May 2021 held at 16:00h on Zoom

Present: Val B, Gill L, Lynda K, Joy W, Richard W, Jane L, Philip B, Colin Adams, Tim Knowles

1. **Apologies:** Mike Whitmore (received after the meeting)
2. **Minutes of Meeting on 7th April 2021:**
These were agreed by the Committee.
3. **Matters arising:**
 - **Review of restarting of walks and number restrictions**
Val stated that from 17th May 2021, the government will lift most legal restrictions on meeting others outdoors, although gatherings of over 30 people will remain illegal. As up to six people will be able to meet indoors, it would also appear that car sharing will now be allowed. A walk register with names and contact numbers will still need to be taken and kept for NHS contact tracing. After a discussion between those present, Joy proposed that we restrict numbers on walks to a maximum of 20 people and continue with people booking a place in advance until 21st June. Gill seconded this and Committee members voted on the proposal. 5 members voted in favour and Phil voted against. The proposal was therefore carried.
 - **Newsletter/Programme**
We will continue as at present by listing walks on the website and look to putting together a Newsletter in July, listing walks from August to November. The Newsletter will include a return slip to be completed and returned if a paper programme is still required in the future.
 - Gill has now paid Wendy a further £49 towards the cost of the Zoom subscription and Val has also been paid.
 - Phil informed us that Andy Norris has identified that the path at Kingston St Mary between the Church and Lodes Lane is shown on both the 1887 and 1904 published maps as a footpath. Andy has contacted the KSM Parish Council about this.
 - Jane has provisionally booked the Cosy Club in Taunton for the TDR Christmas meal on Friday 3rd December. It has a downstairs room which holds 46 people for a 3 course meal, or 70 people for a buffet. There is a minimum spend which would work out at approx £35 a head for a 3 course meal, including drinks. Gill suggested that we collect a £10 deposit when people book a place. Jane will forward a menu to Committee members.
4. **Other matters:**

Listing walks on the Ramblers Group Walks and Events Manager (GWEM).
Lynda has been listing walks for May, but Joy is happy to be registered as a GWEM Editor so will continue doing this once registered. Lynda will email the Ramblers.

5. **Officers' reports:**

• **Treasurer's report:**

Outstanding amounts have now been paid. We can afford to send out one printed Programme/Newsletter this financial year. Gill will have to submit a budget by the beginning of July for the cost of the printed Programme/Newsletter for October 2021 – October 2022.

• **Membership secretary report:**

TDR membership is currently at 255 members which includes 2 new members since our last meeting, 5 lapsed members, 1 resigned and 2 moved. We also have one Affiliated Member, 'who is someone who is not a member of the group but would like to receive the walk program for the group as they would like to participate in some of the group walks. The walks program is to be sent through email only as to not incur any costs', according to the Ramblers.

• **Footpath officer:**

Phil has been informed by Somerset County Council of the diversion of a footpath at Hurley Farm, Corfe which had previously been blocked.

• **Area officer:**

Nothing to report.

6. **Summer/Autumn walk Programme/Newsletter**

We are looking to produce a printed Programme/Newsletter with walks from 1st August - 30th November 2021. Walks will need to be submitted by the end of June, so an email will need to be sent out to members asking for walks mid June. A menu and order form for the Christmas meal will be included.

7. **AOB**

8. **Date, time and place of next meeting :**

Monday 5th July at 16:00h on Zoom.

Meeting closed at 17.33h