

Minutes

Sheffield 40's Walking Group

20th May 2024 7pm, 68 Nether Edge Road, Sheffield, S7 1RX

Attendees: ??Mandy Kippax, Liz Sharp, Lucia Contrino

1. Apologies: ??
2. [Minutes Feb S40 comms meet.docx](#)

Minutes approved

3. Matters from the Chair

- Intentions for committee roles next year

The committee are all happy to carry on with roles. Mandy and Tracey may possibly swap roles at AGM.

- SYNED walk, 8th June

This is a SYNED walk for all committee members from all different groups to meet each other.

- AGM prep

AGM – Mandy to ask at Bradfield School rooms. Ask from 3pm instead of 2pm.

Helen will phone round to check any other places.

- Consider options over our name: process for AGM discussion

A few people have asked about the name. Discussion ensued about the name and what it means. Does it sound like we are all in our 40's? Does it say what we are? We could have a survey of what we could be called and vote at AGM. Or a strap line underneath, "A walking group for people of 40 and over".

Action: Liz to do a poll by email to get an idea of how many would like a name change. Take it to the AGM as a proposal, different names – vote at AGM.

- Long term relationship with other groups. Our walks used to migrate to the ramblers website when uploaded to ours. It doesn't now.
- Footpaths that need to be made more accessible in Peak Park - urgent need for ideas of paths that could benefit from work.

For footpaths with problems – can we let people know in SYNED now as there is money to support this.

Action: How do we do this?

- Walking partnership. We need to change member name (Mick Nott)

Walking partnership – if you book a Ramblers holiday and mention the group we can get a percentage back for the group. Mick's name needs changing to Charlie's.

Action – Charlie to reply to email for name change.

4. 4. Matters from the Footpaths coordinator

Lucia attended SYNED meeting.
Peak and Northern Footpath Society will do half day training for path wardens for us if we pay expenses.
There is also training offered on Assemble but looks next level re Rights of Way legislation. It was suggested that we work with Peak and Northern and not Jez's app. Lucia to organise training with them.

Action: Liz to add in the email.

5. 5. Matters from the Social Secretary

James has Snowdonia walks (detail) onto the Chamois weekend

**Action: MW to ask walk leaders to add more detail.
Some members may not know the area and understand ascents etc**

Mandy not adding any more weekends away with group accommodation this year.

Action: Liz to ask if anyone wants to.

Action: We should know how to add walks – training for rest of committee at next meeting from MW for if he is away.

We received good feedback re our sign up system via text.

6. 6. Matters from the Training Coordinator

We have had 6 for first aid training, and 8 for OS app training.

Action: Helen to finalise first aid training to take place 30th Nov

OS App training to take place 1st Sept

Regarding walk leader training -

Keith said all existing walk leaders were registered with Ramblers. Deadline was 15th May. If walkers aren't listed they aren't insured. Need to add people as volunteers for them to access Ramblers new walk leader training.

Action: Liz to add to report. If a new leader joins, we approve they attend training and then can lead a walk.

Action: Helen and Mandy to organise a walk with walk leaders training at the start. put out a note to ask if interested in being a walk leader to invite.

7. 7. [Matters from the Walks Coordinator](#)

Next 2 weeks covered for walks. 15 walk reports since 20 Feb. Risk assessments not usually sent in. They are still required.

Since 20 Feb - 13 Sat 16 Sun 2 Monday, 1 Tues, 2 wed and 1 Friday.

Action: Liz to add to her email, report to send in walk report. Walks for June /July to send in

8. 7. [Matters from the Treasurer](#)

Report from Charlie.

Thinking how we spend surplus money.

9. 8. [Matters from the Secretary](#)

Exercise carried out to marry up the SYNED/Ramblers and email contact lists. Membership at 325 and agreeing.

10. 9. [Matters arising not covered](#)

Family friendly walk was a success.

Discussion around changing website to say must be over 18 unless a family friendly walk – need to be accompanied by a responsible adult. Young people capable of the adult pace may also go on other walks with permission from walk leader.

11. 10. [AOB](#)

No AOB

[Next Meeting 10th September](#) TBC