

# Draft Minutes

## Sheffield 40s Walking Group

### 28th January 2021 7pm via Zoom

#### Present

Jez Kenyon, Chair. Bev Kenyon, Secretary/ Membership Secretary. Mick Nott, Treasurer. Sara Collin, Dave Depledge, Walks Coordinators. Mandy Kippax, Jillian Gilbert, Socials and Weekends Away Coordinators. Allen Hudson, Footpath Officer/Web Editor.

Apologies None

#### Approval of minutes

Proposed by Mick and seconded by Jez as a true record of the last meeting.

#### Matters arising

- None

#### 1) Chair

- The responses to the member survey were discussed – length of walks and what members want. The committee is happy for walk leaders to submit midweek walks and are hoping that as soon as we are able, we will be able to offer as varied a programme as possible. Accessibility walks were discussed, and it was agreed to discuss this further at a later meeting.
- Representatives to Area Council – Allen would like to take on this role with Jez. Mick agreed to stand in if necessary.
- The next communication to members will be a Newsletter on 11<sup>th</sup> February. This will be posted on the Facebook page minus some information which will be for members only.

#### 2) Treasurer

- Mick circulated and explained a spending policy for the group as per Ramblers expectations. All agreed that it is comprehensive and flexible.
- There was a discussion on possible things to spend money on – First Aid Courses would be an option – Ramblers are running these in the future. Dave mentioned a possible joint membership for digital OS maps for walk leaders. Dave and Sara will look further into this to find out definite cost.

- Mick suggested that it is not appropriate for Gavin to continue to sign off our accounts. Possible replacements were discussed. Mick will try to find a possible replacement.

### 3) Secretary

- Our current membership as per Ramblers records stands at 247 which is in line with our records. The system is now completely online, and Bev updates our records approximately once a month. A current spreadsheet of member details will continue to be stored in the "Membership" folder of the Google drive.
- Bev has asked a couple of members who recently resigned from Ramblers why they had left, and the response was that the group walks were not happening at present. Bev will continue to ask members the reason for leaving and monitor responses.

### 4) Walks

- Sara and Dave asked for "What 3 words" to be included on the walks template as many members find this useful when finding a start point.
- Sara will collect the group's equipment (maps etc) from Wayne.
- Sara and Dave will hold a Zoom walk leader meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30. This will follow on from the Newsletter informing members that we hope to introduce Mid-week walks and shorter walks if possible. All members will be invited via a link on the Newsletter. Hopefully this will encourage members to offer walks they would like to see on the programme.

### 5) Socials and Weekends

- Mandy and Jillian already have some "Oven Ready" Socials which will be advertised as soon as regulations allow.
- The Woodhead Mountain Rescue Charity Walk was mentioned, and we are looking for clarification from Ramblers regarding the policy of donating to other charities.
- Mandy and Jillian are to set up a photo competition to help revamp the photo gallery on the website. The winning photos will be on the website. A "Guess where this was taken" will also be included. Information for the competition will be included in the upcoming Newsletter and will be open to the Facebook members.

### 6) Footpath work

- Jez and Allen to discuss via Zoom next week.

### 8) AOB

- None

## Date of next meeting

- 23rd March 2021 at 7.30pm via Zoom