West Surrey Cycling Club

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 14th May 2020 by On-Line Conference

The Zoom Internet conference system was used due to the Covid-19 lockdown imposed by the government.

Present

Derek Ridyard (Chairman), Nick Davison (Secretary), Roy Wigmore (Treasurer), Phil Gasson (Rides Secretary), Laurie Mutch (by Skype), John Child (Webmaster), Angela Byrne, Alison Warren (Publicity Coordinator).

Apologies for Absence

None

Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes were signed with the following corrections:

Incidents: 'Alisonfelt unwell..'

AOB: Patrick Guinard – replace 'widow' by 'wife'

Matters Arising

Refer to Separate Actions List.

Secretary's Report

Two requests for joining the club were received by email.

Treasurer's Report

The bank account transactions list was sent out by email prior to the meeting.

The total funds in bank accounts stood at £5094.47

It was proposed to not claim for the CUK member group funds of £200 as it was felt that they needed our support in such difficult times: this was agreed by all.

Ride Secretary's Report

11 members participated in the First Aid Course run by CUK: PG to send names to JC for inclusion on the website. Action Item 19-19.

2Q rides list has been issued to the end of June but present indications are that rides will still not be allowed. 3Q rides list is being prepared but will not be published until the future is clearer.

Incidents

None

Volunteer Registration

None

Website/Marketing

No developments have been carried out.

Events

The Club Day on the 7th June has been shelved and the two Audax events, Elstead and Tour of the Hills have been put on hold awaiting AUK's guidance. DR and ND to contact the village halls involved for these events to investigate their position for the future. Action Item 20-06

Relationship with CUK

AW to contact Tom Page at CUK to ascertain what is happening. Action Item 20-07

Plans for how future club rides might look as/when restrictions are eased

Whilst individual riding or in family groups is currently permitted, it is likely that initially small groups of riders will soon be permitted to ride in compliance with social distancing rules. Visiting take-away coffee stops may be possible on the above proviso. Organisation of these groups will be on ad-hoc basis using Group WhatsApp with no official ride leaders.

Cycle campaigning opportunities arising from the crisis and increased bike usage

The possibility of placing adverts for our club in the local press was discussed and AW will prepare a draft and circulate amongst the committee: Action Item 20-08

It was agreed that contact could be made with local authorities and Surrey County Council to encourage them to provide more support to cycling with a view to our club providing assistance in identification of local road safety issues and possible improvements. DR offered to do this. Action Item 20-09

Communication with members during the lockdown

It was agreed that DR would draft a message for prior circulation amongst the committee stating what the current situation is for the club and what actions we are taking - Action Item 20-10:

- When lockdown is eased what form club rides are likely to take (see above).
- Audax Events on hold but unlikely to be held.
- Identifying vulnerable members and whether they require assistance for food/medicine delivery.
- Ideas for making the website more relevant for new members
- Campaigning with councils (see above)

Any Other Business

- 1. It was suggested that the summer club ride be made a charity ride.
- 2. A big thank you was made to AB for her organisation of the annual dinner, which was very successful with 58 attendees.
- 3. The trainer on the first aid course stated that the ID tags attached to bikes would not be seen by paramedics, who would concentrate on the injured rider. The use of wrist bands would be preferable.

Date of Next Meeting

To be held on Thursday 30th July 2020 at 10am – location not decided.
