

Committee Meeting 19 January 2023 at Pugneys Notes of Meeting

Present: Meg Andrews (Chair), Neville Andrews, Mark Beswick, Sandi Kinkead, Andy Beecroft, David Leigh, David Keighley.

The minutes of the previous meeting (17 November) were approved

Item	Subject	Issues	Action by
1	Current Rides programme (to April 2023)	It has been necessary to cancel a couple of rides due to inclement weather. Rides generally proceed unless the ride leader cancels.	Neville
		The Ryhill ride has started, took place on 15 January and went to Anglers. 2 local people attended and there were 8 people on the ride overall. Bob Newton was the back marker. Food was available at the Rycroft Sports Centre. 2 A frames were encountered on the main track which was unhelpful.	
2	Flyer to promote new rides from Agbrigg, Eastmoor and	Now issued and circulated locally. However more copies are needed and Lou will be approached to see if she can arrange this. Sandi will undertake a more extensive distribution.	David K Sandi
	Ryhill		
3	2023 Rides Programme and leaflet	It was suggested that all rides planned for January and February 2024 be cancelled although individual ride leaders can publicise their rides through Facebook if they wish to continue and the weather is favourable.	
		As agreed, the 2023 leaflet will show easy rides only. David K will design the front cover. The current pattern of easy rides will continue as 2022, this includes the Nostell ride on the first	
		Sunday of the month, plus the new rides from Ryhill and Eastmoor. Steady rides will be referred to and publicised through Facebook as individual	



		ride leaders see fit. The Agbrigg ride will be redesignated an easy ride.	
		The 2023 leaflet is largely complete but not yet ready for the printers.	
4	Treasurers Report	David L reported that the current balance stood at £85,322.66. In the last month there had been income or £10,000 (the annual grant from WMDC) and expenditure of £508 (purchase of MICE cards)	David L
5	Newsletter	The December edition is out. The next is due in March. This will be used to promote the three new rides, especially Agbrigg.	Meg
6	Council barriers on cycle routes	A WMDC meeting is scheduled for 25 January at which this will again be a hot topic. Dismay was expressed that there had been no feedback of minutes from the relatively positive meeting held with WMDC on 21 November. There has also been no feedback regarding Forum input to Danger Points for Cyclists which WMDC have been seeking.	Meg David K
		The Sustrans leaflet of barrier removal strategies to be circulated. In order to boost the impact of our fight against barriers we need to focus on the worst. A list of 5 to be discussed at the next meeting with that at the exit from the Portobello Estate being high on this list. We also need to focus on barriers hampering the three new rides which WMDC are asking us to develop. This would be discussed at the February meeting. It was also noted that Virginia Moulton had been replaced at PROW by David Holdsworth.	All
7	Christmas Meal	The income from attendees was £680 and the Forums expenditure was £850. The total cost to the Forum of £170 represented the agreed subsidy of £5 for the 34 participants.	David L



8	Workdays and workday equipment	The Nostell shed is watertight but does need some work. The Castleford shed still needs work as the door sticks, allows water ingress and the roof leaks. The Forum has been offered a new pvc door. A major programme of work is planned for the courtyard by the Mill Management Committee who have offered the Forum use of half a container.	Andy Neville Meg
9	Cycle Hub Grants	No progress to report	Meg
10	New Forum clothing suggestions	A quote has been obtained for polo shirts from Xmas near Ossett - £13 with logo and £8 without. Sample to be brought in. Tee shirts – 100 can be obtained at £4 each. David K confirmed that are only very minimal stocks of previous Forum clothing purchases.	Neville
11	Summer Forum Events	Holiday Wednesdays – 31 May, 26 July, 2, 9, 16,23, 30 August. It was noted that Coronation Day was 6 May and there already 2 rides planned for that day. Lou is to be asked about bike related Summer Holiday events at Thornes Park	All David K Meg
12	Number of loan bikes	Should there be bikes to hire at Ryhill/Havercroft? Person in charge of Rycroft Leisure to be approached. There needs to be a comprehensive review of the Forums bike stock and a Workday needs to be scheduled to achieve this. New bike purchases are likely to be needed following the review. It was noted that 3 bikes from Nostell have recently been transferred to Thornes Park. We clearly have too many male bikes and we need to look into selling/disposing of these.	Neville Andy Neville David K



13	Any other	Welbeck Engagement Meeting on 27 January.	Meg
	business	The Forum would be represented at this meeting and David K had suggested a number of cycle routes for the site.	David K
		Eastmoor Cycle Rides. David K has suggested a 6-mile ride, 2x10 mile rides and 2x7 mile rides.	David K
		Should the Forum pay for Ride Leaders to be affiliates or full member of Cycle UK? This would cost annually £33 (affiliate) or £50 (full member). After discussion it was agreed not to proceed with this.	Neville
		Should Ride Leaders be Aspire Members? To investigate with Lou/ John Gallagher.	Neville
		MICE cards These are now available and being distributed to members on rides and attendees at Forum meetings.	All
		Zoom meeting re WMDC barriers on cycle routes This will be held on Tuesday 31 January at 1400	All
14	Venue, date	10:00 on Thursday 23 February at Pugneys.	All
	and time of		
	next meeting		

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