

Draft Minutes

Sheffield 40s Walking Group AGM

2nd November 2022 7.00pm at the Fat Cat

1) Attendance

Present

Mick Nott, Treasurer. Keef Hopkinson, Walks Coordinators. Mandy Kippax,, Socials and Weekends Away Coordinators. Allen Hudson, Footpath Officer

Also in attendance – Lyn Prosser, Linda Moran, Jim Bell, James Scott, Dominique Mountford, Tracey Reeve, Martin Wistow, Wayne Grounsell, Jean Billingham, Thea Anning, Colin Percival, Jane Percival
Dennis Crossland

Apologies

Jeremy Kenyon, Bev Kenyon, Sara Collins, Liz Sharp. Rachel von Graevenitz

Allen opened by welcoming everyone. Jeremy Kenyon had resigned a couple of weeks before the meeting and so Allen is chairing,
Overall we have had a good year and our walks and social events back to normal. Our membership is good
We have had great walks and social weekends. We continue to be a welcoming group and our website and Facebook page are proving very good at attracting people to try us out.
Allen thanked the committee for all their work during the year ensuring the smooth operation of the group.

2) Approval of minutes of last AGM

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

3) Matters arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

4) Treasurer

The Accounts for 21/22

Mick to present a detailed report on the accounts of the group for the year ending 30th September 2022

A copy of the finance report is in the AGM 22 folder.

Appointed of independent examiner

Dave Brown has been appointed as the Independent Examiner and has checked the accounts and found them to be in good order.

5) Secretary

Our membership is growing and currently stands at 299 (can we make 300 before 2023!) according to our records. This is in line with the Ramblers figure of 294. It will be a magical membership secretary who can get it to tally perfectly.

It's always great to see so many new faces on walks and at social events. Welcome all!

6) Walks

Keef reported on the walks put on by the group this year.

153 walks on site since 1/11/21 of which,
2 cancelled due to flooding, 3 cancelled due to heat

So 148 walks actually happened

29 evening walks
119 weekend walks approx 2.3 per weekend

Walk leaders

Martin W 42 walks 28% of the total

Keef 28 walks 19% of the total

Mandy 19 walks 13% of the total

Which means 3 leaders led 60% of the total number of walks.

Walk reports were received for roughly half the walks. Walk leaders are to be encouraged to submit a brief report so the group has a record should any claim be forthcoming in the future.

Nine members completed walk leader training. It was suggested that they are follow up to encourage and support them in leading walks.

7) 7) Socials and Weekends

Weekends away

We have had some successful weeks/weekends away to Pitlochery, Llangollen, Alnmouth as well as Liz organising a weekend to Shipley earlier this month.

We have generated a small surplus from the shared group accommodation and details are listed in the treasurer's report.

Social events

We have had 16 social events since the last AGM. Some have been organised by group members

Christmas lights at Sheffield Cathedral
White Lion Christmas Meal
Five weirs walk and social (Jean Social committee)
Pack horse inn Sunday Meal
Museum of the moon
Crafters band at the Gardeners rest (Jean Social committee)
Summer social at Neither Edge Bowling Club (Social committee)
Castleton garland Ceremony
Jazz in the gardens (Debbie C)
Hope cement works (Julie Social committee)
Curry night in Dore (Lucia)
Heritage Pub Evening (Dennis)
Doddington Hall
Graves Park Fun Day (Jillian social committee)
Hidden Rivers (Alex)
Chatsworth burning man

Thank you to anyone organising a weekend or social event.
Anyone is welcome to join the social committee to help with events or have some ideas

NEW social events

Coming up in December we have the

Trip to Lincoln xmas market on Friday 2 Dec

White Lion Christmas meal and walk on Sunday 4 Dec

Christmas Party at Neither Edge Bowling club on Friday 16 Dec

Weekends away 2023

Reeth 31 March to 2 April

Hebden Bridge 19 to 21 May

Possible weekend in Keswick and another in Nidderdale

8) 8) Members expenses and 2022/23 Budget

(See Treasurer's Report for details)

Allen explained that the budget and expenses were a matter for the committee to set, monitor and adjust during the year, and as such were not set by the AGM. This item was to get the views of the members present on the proposal in order to inform the committee in its decision making.

There was a discussion on the expenses and mileage allowance. There were no dissenting views expressed to the budget and mileage rates presented by the Treasurer.

9) 9) Committee Elections

Chair: Liz Sharp (an email has been received by the committee in advance of the meeting confirming Liz was willing to stand even though she was not present at the meeting)

Secretary: Tracey Reeve

Treasurer: Mick Nott,

Walks Coordinator: Keef Hopkinson,

Socials and Weekends away Coordinator: Mandy Kippax,

All proposed and seconded by attendees.

10) 10) AOB

There was no other business.

The AGM ended at 2010