

## **WALKABOUT FLINTSHIRE MINUTES**

### **TRUSTEE MEETING FRIDAY 21ST MAY 2021 AT DANIEL OWEN CENTRE, MOLD**

1. Chair Dave Mackie opened the meeting and welcomed Secretary June Brady, Treasurer Neville Howell, Michael Fildes, Joyce Howell, Elizabeth Bolton, Arwel Roberts, Carole Worger, Buddug Neale, Stan Jones and Minutes Secretary Eleanor Woodward.

Apologies were received from Peter Kime and Gill Harrison

2. Minutes of the previous trustee meeting 7th February 2020 were accepted as accurate, proposer Elizabeth Bolton seconded by Michael Fildes.

Jenny Hindmarsh and Eleanor Woodward were co-opted to assist Trustees.

3. Matters arising – will be dealt with later in the agenda.

#### 4. Treasurers report

Neville Howell had nothing to report due to covid lockdown. He has approached Richard Rowley Accountant of Mold and District Probud to independently verify accounts to year end 31st December 2020.

#### 5. Secretary update

June stated that our current Covid guidelines are based on those of the Rambler's Association. The guidelines are compliant with the latest government advice.

Zurich Insurance have extended Walkabout Flintshire cover until July 2021.

Some walks have restarted post lockdown. Not all walks are advertised on the web-site after consultation with the walk-leaders concerned, mainly due to restricted numbers.

The Talacre walk is to be removed from the walk programme.

The Flint walk requires a new leader, this has been advertised on the web-site but no-one has come forward to take over.

Buckley walk will resume when Sandy Macleod advises June.

Other walking groups in the area have also restarted.

The secretary had contacted all walk-leaders asking whether anyone was interested in becoming a Trustee. No-one came forward.

#### 6. Trustee rotation

All current Trustees are happy to remain in position until the AGM. The posts of Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer will also remain the same. At present there are no rules for rotating the posts.

#### 7. Walk-leader training

Neville asked June for an upto date list of names of people who are interested in walk-leader training, before he can organise training dates. He suggested a two tier training programme. Tier 1 is for people who are reluctant to be walk-leaders but would be willing to assist during a walk, they could be referred to as walk assistants, and would be covered by our insurance. If they wish they could move on to Tier 2 and full walk-leader training.

June and Neville to put together a short description for the walk assistants role. This to be given to walk-leaders with a view to walk-leaders recruiting any interested walkers.

It was also suggested that walk-leaders could train any interested walkers within their group thereby meaning they would not need to attend a training day.

Any walkers recruited in this way need their names to be given to June so a list can be kept for insurance purposes.

At present the Sports Wales guidelines are used as the basis for our walk-leader training.

Neville, Joyce, June and Jenny Hindmarsh will assist with the training days.

#### 8. Walks suitable for wheelchair users

June had received an enquiry regarding suitability of any of our walks for wheelchair users. She passed it on to the Disability Sports Officer for Flintshire.

Further enquiries to be passed to other relevant agencies e.g. Disability Forum.

Should they want to organise wheelchair user 'walks' Walkabout Flintshire would offer to help.

Neville has done this in the past for Mind etc.

Most of our walks are unsuitable, except Mold Thursday morning.

#### 9. Walk-leader social get together

It was suggested to invite walk-leaders to meet for a social event. This was taken to a vote with 8 for and 2 abstentions. Details to be discussed at a later date after an assessment of interest from walk-leaders.

#### 10. AGM attendees limits

AGM 28th May 2021 only 2 walk-leaders had replied.

So attendee limits are not a problem with such small numbers.

It was decided to meet at the Daniel Owen Centre, Mold at 2pm.

Future Trustee meeting dates in 2021 – 20th August and 19th November

AGM 19th February 2022

Meeting closed 15.10