

Minutes Merseyside CTC Ordinary Meeting.

Thursday 10th March

Quaker Meeting House Liverpool

Attending: Paul Riley, Ian Bulmer, Kenny Mullins, Derek Massey, Derek Gould, Gordon Jones, Abbas Rashid, Ray Hughes, Dean Jones, Welna Bowden (CTC)

1 Apologies: Don Thomson, Brian Diaper, Harry Fowler, Roy Goulbourn, Alan Johnson, Stan Fenney, Dave Bott, Paul Snape.

2. Minutes and matters arising: minutes of last meeting were agreed.

2.1 Newsletter. Jim Walsh to be contacted by secretary

2.1.2. Postcodes. Secretary assured by Julie Rand new postcodes to be included in latest list.

2.1.3 Hadlow Road. Kenny to check this Sunday and report [KM].

2.1.4 Questionnaire. Welna suggested some changes. Questionnaire to be revised and circulated. Check with Julie Rand regarding CTC survey of a couple of years ago [DG].

2.1.5 Workshop. Derek to give some dates to Ian Richardson [DG].

3. Introductions.

3.1 Derek Massey. Derek informed us of funding being pulled, from 31st March, that is currently supporting 'Rides For Health', a scheme that aims to rehabilitate individuals (some are non-cyclists), using bicycles stored at 8 locked repositories within Liverpool. The scheme was initiated by Ian Tierney (some with patients from Cardiothoracic Centre at Broadgreen) and is now thought to be funded / operated through Liverpool Community Health. Uncertain, though, as to who is responsible; DM asks if M-CTC can pledge our support for continuing this scheme, and perhaps consider an affiliation with CTC. Chair would email DM and pledge our support for scheme; could DM consider alternative funding sources, e.g. CCG?

3.2 Welna Bowden: introduced herself as NW Officer of CTC, in her 7th year on Council and webmaster for the Northern CTC webpage, 'CTC Northwest'. Currently working with Local Government Association services, including social and adult services and Health and Wellbeing Boards. Gave us some background as to her outlook regarding promotion of cycling. WB would liaise with DM and will contact Director of Public Health.

GJ would send the current runs list to WB once it has been finalised [GJ].

DG to email next Cycle Forum to WB, cc'd to Karen Stevens [DG].

DM to be added to our googlegroup [DJ].

4 Reports.

4.1 Secretary.

4.1.1 New branding pack / toolkit expected shortly, week 7th March.

4.1.2 Website now includes link to local bike shops. Googlegroup membership rising, now with 37 members.

4.1.3 Merseyside CTC now has a presence on Ride Social site with a new member and a link to the WWC website [IB].

4.1.4 No changes to local rules.

4.2 Treasurer.

A number of committee members visited Graham Lewis at home (after many months of arrangement) with the aim to collect longstanding assets and financial records. Some assets relating to the Wild Wales Challenge were collected, but there was a refusal to hand over the club's Garmin

1000 or its financial records. It is understood that members in attendance were told that GL had sent all items on the treasurer's financial checklist, to CTC HQ. (Later found to be incorrect.)

A discussion followed wherein information was sought on cheques that had seemingly been issued without Committee consent after the AGM. This resulted in an abrupt termination of the conversation by means of a door closure.

4.3 RTR Not available.

4.4 Runs Committee. Communication regarding call offs seems to be working. Training available 9th April; a group of 6 was thought appropriate for this. To be discussed at upcoming runs meeting.

4.5 Welfare. DB not available.

4.6 Events. Ian informed us the WWC entries now number 200+.

4.7 Publicity. DR not available.

4.8 Social. HF not available. Parbold social arranged for 10th April [50 attendees, including 20 persons from Mersey and 20 from St Helens. Costs would be split equally between Mersey and St Helens]. A Club YHA card is to be purchased for Merseyside group as current one about to expire (May 2016).

4.9 Registrar. DR not available.

5. AOB.

5.1 KM asked whether CTC might sponsor a pro cycle team though no suggestions were forthcoming at this time.

6. Dates next meetings.

April Mon 11th Wirral

May Thurs 12th Liverpool [Vice Chair requested in the chair]; WB in attendance

June Mon 13th Wirral

July Thurs 14th Liverpool; WB in attendance.

Meeting concluded 21.00

Notes: DJ, DG.