

## North Yorkshire LDWA - Annual General Meeting 2024

Virtually via Zoom

**Tuesday February 6 2024 at 7.30 pm**

In attendance: Robert Cope, Christine Stopford, Dave Jacques, Bob Jowett, Lynn Hathaway, Steve Hall, Caroline & Roger Wandless, Sue & Malcolm Reid, Jill King

The meeting commenced at 7.30 pm with a quorum of members. The Chair (Dave) welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending.

1. Apologies for absence: None
2. Minutes of previous AGM: unanimously approved. Proposed by Robert and seconded by Dave.

Officers' Reports had been posted on the Group website before the meeting. The reports below include any additional comments or answers to questions raised.

3. Chair's Report (Dave): Nothing to add except a very big thank you to all the committee.
4. Treasurer's / Financial Report (Roger): The Balance sheet was accepted and had been audited. For the future, we need to look elsewhere for an auditor for next year. - perhaps an appropriately qualified LDWA member from another group. Many thanks to Dave for his assistance.
5. Secretary's report (Christine): Nothing new to add except her thanks to Jill for collating the minutes for each meeting.
6. Walk Secretary's Report (Lynn): Lynn expressed her thanks both to all walk Leaders and the committee for their time, effort and support over the last year.
7. Webmaster's report (Robert): Robert added that he had some progressive ideas going forward.

8. Proposed revision to the Group Constitution: The committee had agreed to certain changes at their last committee meeting with the exception of section 7.

Since then Robert and Roger had collaborated on proposed amendments to Section 7.3 (concerning payments) which they felt would be both practical but subject to reasonable scrutiny. In summary on-line or debit card payments up to £100 could be made by the Treasurer alone, payments above this amount to be pre-authorised by one member of the Finance Sub-Committee. Additionally all payments to be notified to the Finance Sub-Committee monthly alongside the bank statement for that month.

Robert also suggested the quorum for an AGM (Section 6.2) should be reduced to 8 (from the 10 previously agreed).

Both the above were accepted and the entire new Constitution unanimously agreed for submission to the NEC for approval. Proposed by Bob, seconded by Roger. (Contribution by Robert)

## 9. Election of Officers & ordinary Committee members:

Position	Officer	Proposer	Seconder
Chair	Dave Jacques	Lynn	Bob
Secretary	Christine Stopford	Dave	Robert
Treasurer	Roger Wandless	Robert	Dave
Walks Secretary	Lynn Hathaway	Caroline	Robert
Webmaster	Robert Cope	Sue	Jill
Committee members			
	Steve Hall	Caroline	Dave
	Malcolm Reid	Caroline	Bob
	Sue Reid	Jill	Roger
	Bob Jowett	Dave	Lynn
Minutes Secretary	Jill King	Caroline	Dave
Plus Caroline Wandless to stand down from the committee but to continue her role as 100 & Check Point co-ordinator along with Roger			

The above were elected or re-elected as the case may be, all unanimously

## 10. Any Other Business

- 10.1 Risk Assessments and best practice for all walk leaders. More information on its way from NEC and will be an item on the agenda at the next committee meeting.
- 10.2 NY Logo: After what seemed like months of discussion, it came down to variations of York Minster v Ribbleshead viaduct. Many felt that although it was very crisp looking, there was no suggestion to a link with walking and too similar to the Knarborough viaduct used by the Nidderdale group. There were suggestions that on the York Minster outline, a white rose could be added into the circular window and removal of the vertical compass point next to the walking person. Roger to refine and the design will be finalised at the next meeting.
- 10.3 Kilburn Kanter: There were comments from the 4 of us that had completed the KK in reverse. The run/walk in, in the dark would not be as easy or safe as the easy road finish. Much more staff and longer time would be needed at the Cold Kirby CP. Such that what benefits were there in doing the walk in reverse? Possibility of maybe a social walk to celebrate 40 years since the first KK but also to think about the 50 years of the group formation. The 2024 KK to be held on November 2<sup>nd</sup> with details on the SIEntries website from June and an advert in the August edition of Strider.
- 10.4 Roger & Caroline mentioned that now the Scottish 100 route had been finalised, the Route description would follow.
- 10.5 No other items were raised by those attending.

- 11 Date of the next meeting: Monday March 4<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm with Robert to arrange the zoom invite.  
The meeting closed at 8.47pm

Jill King 11.02.24