**Memorandum of Understanding Between the NEC and The Irregulars**

*Email sent to John Whitworth from Stuart Bain – 21st September 2022*

The NEC are comfortable with the MOU you've proposed.  For absolute clarity I've cut and paste it in bold, so we both are aligned in our understanding:

* **We agree that any new members of The Irregulars Subscribing Group (TISG) have to be members of the LDWA before they can join. (we have been doing this since this issue was raised back in 2019)**
* **We agree that Non LDWA members in TISG cannot take on any responsibilities within the group including leading social walks or organising challenge event.**
* **We agree that Non LDWA members in the TISG cannot attend our AGM and so cannot vote on any LDWA matters nor be voted onto The Irregulars LDWA committee.**
* **We agree that any non LDWA members of TISG who comes on any Irregular walk are not covered by the LDWA insurance and this will be communicated to them by email or their chosen method of communication. Plus, we will ask for confirmation they have received it and understand it before allowing them to walk on any social walk.**
* **We will communicate to Non LDWA members of TISG that they are not eligible to attend other LDWA group social walks via email or their chosen method of communication.**
* **However, the NEC accept that we cannot police this matter. It is down to the individual groups to enforce should they wish to.**

In the interests of resolving this issue, the NEC respects your wishes not to disclose individuals within the TISG.  We have confidence and trust in you and your committee to oversee the TISG individuals to ensure compliance with the MOU above.

Thank you also for offering your support/input in the unlikely event a claim is made relating to individuals within TISG.  As you've highlighted this request will only be exercised if the insurer has a legal basis to do so.

Bill: Is it possible to retain a copy of this MOU in the NEC archives for future reference?