**Huddersfield CTC Annual General Meeting**

**Meltham Methodist Church**

**1 pm on Sunday 21 October**

**Minutes**

**Apologies for absence :** Julia Norman, Ian Buday, Cameron McCready

**Present :** Stephen Kennnedy, Joe Naylor, John Lewis, Steve Hall, Steve Randerson, Peter Charnley, Tony Jagger, Derek Fisher, Andrew Ireland, Mike Proud, Graham Rhodes, John Malone, Christine Blanco, Mick Pattinson.

In attendance: Lynette Evans CyclingUK.

**Minutes of the 2017 AGM**

These were accepted as a correct record.

**Reports of Club Officers**

**Chairmans’s Report**

Extract from Steve Randerson’s report is below: The full report is attached.

The Club jersey has been a great success and it is good to see so many riders out sporting the new kit. A series of good tours were held this year in the Yorkshire Dales, Czech Republic and a UK Coast to Coast with some of our younger members aged 12, 14 and 16.

I would like to thank all the committee members for their work during the year.

**Secretary’s Report**

Extract from Peter Charnley’s report below: The full report is attached.

Since last year the Club has organised a new Club kit discounted for new members. Two winter talks on cycle touring were well attended. A weekend tour in North Yorkshire and a 5 day trip fro Vienna to Prague were highlights of the ride calendar.

Ride numbers for the Sunday rides were between 5 and 13 up to June. From then until the 7 Oct the number decreased to between 3 and 5, increasing to 9 on the 7 October.

**Treasurer’s Report**

As of 30/09/2018, our member group total assets are £3,650.18 comprising fixed assets of £129.00 and bank/cash reserves of £3,521.18. The net reduction in cash reserves by £1,575.65 is largely accounted for by the club kit order.

**Campaign Officer Report**

There are number local projects in progress in Kirklees:

Canal towpath improvements from Longroyd Bridge to Milnsbridge.

Cooper Bridge road improvements will finally go ahead with a compulsory purchase order for the land will enable the improvements to be made that include a possible cycle route planned by Kirklees Highways.

The Mirfield link in the current Sustrans route is now being considered.

Halifax Road (A629) is difficult to make cycle friendly and quiet routes are being planned in either side on the A629.

West Yorkshire Combined Authority have engaged Dutch Consultants who are now organising cycle planning workshops.

John Lewis publishes a regular newsletter on the work of the Kirklees Cycle Campaign that can be found on the Huddersfield CTC website.

**Election of Officers of 2018/19**

There were no nominations for the committee posts and all incoumbants agreed to continue

**Recruitment of New Regular Sunday Riders**

Steve Randerson asked how can we address the issue of pace and distance and leadership of rides.

Christine Blanco felt that from a personal perspective the ride distance is not a problem but the pace is too fast.

Steve Hall said that only having one ride option was limiting and there should be an option for faster, slower short and long distance rides.

Andrew Ireland suggested that one steady ride per month could be promoted on Facebook and noted as a steady ride.

Reports on rides completed, was suggested by Steve Hall. Andrew Ireland said that this did happen years ago with a report in the Examiner but it did not increase ride numbers.

Lynette Evans said that flyers could be distributed in public places such as the Railway Station and library.

Joe Naylor suggested some car assisted rides for the calendar. It was agreed that Audax rides will be included in the ride calendar as an alternative longer ride.

**Lynnette Evans, Cycling Development Officer for Cycling UK.**

Cycling UK now has a new 5 year strategy. Lynnette is now developing a Cycle for Health Programme in Greater Manchester. The first programme of its type was developed in West Yorkshire. Cycling UK now has a team of 3 in the Cycling Development Department . There is guidance on the Cycling UK website for local clubs. Extra funding has been made available for training.

Lynnette will ask Tom Murray Cycling Development Officer for Cycling UK in West Yorkshire to get in touch with us.

In response to a question from Andrew Ireland Lynnette said that Cycling UK is lobbying for a Government Subsidy for the purchase of electric bikes as there is for electric cars.

**AOB**

Mike Proud showed a photograph of a cycle protected road junction that would improve the safety for cyclists. He said he came across a Police Traffic Census and the officers had not heard of the close pass issue.

**Date, time and venue of next meeting**

! pm 20 Oct 2019 at Meltham Methodist Church Hall.