



## MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 27TH FEBRUARY, 2020

### **Present**

David Gibson-Brown (Chair), Frank Horner (General Secretary), Lyn Watson (Treasurer), Penny Bailey, Janice Barwick, Jane Bekker, Francis Kinge, Beryl Leck, Peter Leck, John McNelley, Julia McNelley, Kath Plane, and Tim Wyles.

### 1. **Apologies**

Apology was received from David Watson

### 2. **Minutes of the meeting held 5th December, 2019**

The minutes of the meeting held 5th December, 2019, were confirmed and duly signed by the Chairman.

### 3. **Matters Arising**

- (i) Tuesday Walks - Since Christmas the number of members attending the afternoon walks on a Tuesday had increased and it was agreed to leave the matter in abeyance to see if this marked improvement continues.
- (ii) Peter reported he had visited the site of the High Barns walk at Winterton and it was felt, on the grounds of safety, this walk should be discontinued at the present time and will reviewed later in the year. Peter was thanked for the attention he gives to the walks.
- (iii) It was reported that no further interaction had taken place on this issue.

### 4. **Finance & Membership Report**

#### Finance

- (i) The group currently had funds totalling £2751.00 of which included £70.00 petty cash and £699.50 raised for the East Anglian Air Ambulance Trust. It was agreed a cheque for £700 should be set to the EAAAT.
- (ii) Lyn had also been investigating the cost of upgrading the fluorescent vests but had not yet been able to obtain costs. It was agreed this should be an agenda item at the next meeting.
- (iii) Lyn reminded members the Insurance would come up for renewal before the next meeting. After some discussion it was agreed for John to negotiate the renewal without the need to refer back if any increase was within 10% of the current premium.

#### Membership

There are currently 85 members including our 3 Honorary members. 15 had not renewed from 2019/20 but the committee was pleased to note there had been 9 new members since January. The new members had been warmly welcomed and seemed to be enjoying the walking and talking with the other members.

5. **East Anglian Air Ambulance Trust**

Lyn had been in touch with the charity and ascertained the money could be sent by bank transfer or by cheque. It was felt payment by cheque would be preferable. The committee felt the membership, sponsors and organisers had been extremely generous with money and time in arranging this fund raising event. All should be congratulated for raising so much money from what is a relatively small walking group. A more formal presentation of a 'large' cheque would be arranged at a later date where a number of our walkers would be able to attend. Once this date was known members would be emailed to see if any would like to attend this presentation. Places would be limited so first come first invited.

6. **XMAS Lunch 2020**

It was agreed we should again hold this event at the East Coast Restaurant in Scratby. If possible it was agreed the date should be Wednesday 16th December, 2020. Jane agreed to liaise with the restaurant to see if this date was available or a date close to this. Committee members agreed with Jane that all members wishing to attend must comply with the deadlines specified to enable her to organise the function with the minimum disruption.

7. **Picnics 2020**

Jane proposed the dates for the 'Picnic Walks' should be as follows:-

10/04/2020 Good Friday Hot X Bun Walk - Gorleston

19/06/2020 How Hill

25/09/2020 Location yet to be decided

11/12/2020 Runham (Mince Pie Walk)

Committee members agreed to the suggestions made.

8. **Any Other Business**

Frank informed members of the increased costs of running the website in relation to Domain and Host charges. He had negotiated a 20% reduction in Hosts costs but felt they were still very expensive. After discussion it was agreed we should pay the current proposed charges but look to ascertain other alternatives.

8. **Date, time and place of next meeting**

It was confirmed the meetings would be held in Runham Village Hall at 2.00 p.m. on Thursday 14th May, 2020, although Julia would see if the 7th May was available.

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

Date 14th May , 2020