



Bingley Walkers are Welcome

Minutes of Meeting

Date: 17th February 2021

<p>Present:</p> <p>Christine McCabe (Chair) ✓</p> <p>Maureen Carney (Secretary) ✓</p> <p>Susan Hart ✓</p> <p>Andrea Ellis ✓</p> <p>Sue Dennis (Treasurer) ✓</p> <p>Jenny Hinsley ✓</p> <p>Linda Howell ✓</p> <p>Cedric Farineau ✓</p> <p>Arthur Baxter ✓</p>	<p>Apologies:</p> <p>Christine Baxter</p> <p>Heather Weatherhead</p>
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Agenda No.		Action By
2	<p>Minutes of last meeting:</p> <p>Agreed as accurate.</p>	
3	<p>Matters arising - CM</p>	
4	<p>Treasurer's Report – SD</p> <p>Income - £25.05-Amazon</p> <p>Total in bank - £463.89</p>	
	<p>Correspondence:</p> <p>Thanks to SD for compiling the report.</p> <p>The report acknowledged that we had not undertaken any activities since the pandemic began. It was agreed that our model of contacting the public and our open method of allowing anyone to join us is a barrier to offering a “first come, first served” for a maximum of 6 on walks would not be viable.</p>	

	<p>It also commented that we will need to look for new committee members to replace Ronda and Christine Smith (moved away) Agreed that we could post on Facebook – our page and community pages - to ask for interest as we have had lots of new “likes”.</p> <p>The feedback said it was important to keep leaflet production as it is a good form of generating income. However, it was agreed that using SD’s connection to the Health Centre to sell leaflets, as suggested, is not viable.</p> <p>Monitoring to establish if we are bringing extra walkers into Bingley: This is a difficult task. SH suggested that a quiz format on the webpage about interesting landmarks or points on walks could establish where some have come to Bingley from. Local shops could feature pictures in their windows.</p> <p>CF – has begun establishing what walks have been taking place in the area. Could go back to these and ask where the walkers were from, numbers of people etc.</p> <p>Agreed that CF will list some groups who lead walks in Bingley and will discuss at the next meeting. Also agreed to take interesting photos whilst out on walks.</p>	
6	<p>Adoption of Footpath (& annual return feedback):</p> <p>CF: looked into old OS maps on the path at Bingley Moor, leading to the now-gone quarry. Witness statements from those who have used the path will be needed to show how long this path has been used. It’s believed a minimum of 12 statements will be needed. Then BMDC will adopt and maintain it. Agreed for committee to go to the path and speak to people walking it and see if they would be willing to fill a form in if we contact them via email. The forms need to be sent collectively.</p>	CM. CF
7	<p>Events (Including Walkshire Campaign)</p> <p>Visit Bradford have all 3 local WaW groups on their website, so it was agreed that we should get in touch with them and see if they will sponsor a walk. CF – Visit Bradford are aware of the campaign.</p>	
8	<p>Walking Festival - August 2021:</p> <p>Otley Walking Festival 26.6.21 & 4.7.21: Appealing for walk leaders for part of Welcome Way/Bingley Loop</p>	CM to send to Cf/SD

9	<p>Walks (Including Welcome Way & Bingley Loop):</p> <p>Huge thanks to CF and SD for their hard work in getting it incorporated fully into the new edition of the Welcome Way.</p> <p>Promotion offer – £5.00 – CF to publicise on website.</p> <p>Our Walks: All agreed to wait until the restrictions are lifted and consider calling an extraordinary meeting after the Government make a statement. Also agreed to put a post on FB to update the public.</p>	
10	<p>Website/Social Media - CF:</p> <p>CF: More visitors than ever before to the website. We have 10 walks on there so far and could have many more and we could put the Pickles Pubs/Fred Hoyle/Bingley Loop on in better detail.</p> <p>CF will look at other ways to generate funds via the website.</p>	
11	<p>Any Other Business:</p> <p>Julie Ramsden – has folded Bingley Green Dog Walks. CM has agreed to take some leaflets</p> <p>Wendy Broadbent (BLT) and Baildon WaW have reported that Sparable Lane is in a poor state – reported to Countryside Service.</p> <p>Query about Waybank Hall – Local history societies and heritage groups are looking into this. Not yet got a definite site as yet.</p>	
12	<p>Date of next meeting:</p> <p>Next Meeting – Wed 7th April 7.00pm – via Zoom</p>	