

COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday 24th February 2025

19.30

Zoom call

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Present: <u>Committee Members</u> Steve Nicholas - Chair David Brettell - Walks Co-Ordinator Neil Elder - Treasurer Miranda Shoebridge - Secretary		
1.	<u>ICE cards</u> 30 cards were sent to Miranda from Hampshire Area Ramblers for distribution. Ramblers have since announced a new wallet-sized waterproof card coming this Spring. Miranda to send current cards to Dave for distribution at walks. Also for scanning and inserting on website with explanatory text on Walk Leaders page and under Join a walk info (for walkers). Ask Stephen to add to website. Walk Leaders to encourage all walkers, especially ones new to the group, to complete a card or write ICE info on own card/paper and keep in an easily accessible rucksack pocket.	Miranda/Dave
2.	<u>Walk Leaders group on Facebook</u> Steve requested that committee members review the list to ensure it only lists active walk leaders.	All
3.	<u>First Aid Kits</u> Neil advised that he has researched First Aid Kits in the £10 to £20 price range and will circulate info to the committee for a decision re which to order. First Aid kits are for distribution to walk leaders as required - ask who needs one.	Neil
4.	<u>First Aid Training</u> Steve discussed info on Ramblers website for Walk Leaders and recommended installing St John's Ambulance App.	Miranda/All

	Discussion of possible training courses including the one which Andy Parks attended and provided info about. This would incur a cost of £40 per Walk Leader and max of 5 attendees plus room hire cost. Hampshire Area Ramblers recommended Meon Valley Heart Start training - need 30 attendees (maybe join with another walking group?). Cost is room hire only. Miranda to photograph flyer and circulate to committee for consideration again. See www.heartstartmeonvalley.co.uk	
5.	<u>New Walk Leaders</u> Dave reported that Ruth and David have offered to lead more walks for the group. Ian Farley has completed the online training for new leaders and has a walk in mind around Whitchurch. Andy Parks has a couple of walks in mind. Steve asked if walk leaders are automatically set up on Walks Manager once training is completed. Dave to check.	Dave
6.	<u>AOB</u> A walker has requested location of Dorset trip walks - Dave to follow up with Elaine for inclusion on website. Several walkers have commented on some walks being faster than comfortable and the group consequently getting strung out. Steve commented that Walk Leaders should manage this and have consideration for the whole group. We have a good mixed programme and some walk leaders indicate if walks are at a brisk pace. New walkers will be unaware of speeds of different leaders.	Dave