

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday, 3 November 2018
Twyford Parish Hall – 2.30 p.m.

Minutes

Present: <u>Committee Members</u> Stephen Cocks - Chair Neil Elder - Treasurer Steve Nicholas - Walk Co-Ordinator Carol Ransome - Membership Secretary David Morris - Area Representative Terry Jones - Area Representative Mandy Norris - Secretary <u>Members:</u> <table> <tr> <td>Phil Housden</td> <td>Mick Selley</td> <td>Lesley Spicer</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Jo Butchart</td> <td>Pat Kelly</td> <td>Liz Duffin</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Eric Street</td> <td>Sandie Collins</td> <td>Sandy Davis</td> </tr> <tr> <td>James Paddock</td> <td>Norman Clinnick</td> <td>Jane Hudson</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tanja Maus</td> <td>Jean Dalziel</td> <td>Miranda Shoebridge</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Jan Wilson</td> <td>Jack Norris</td> <td>Richard Boardman</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Vivienne Scales</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table> Apologies: Vanessa Crookes Neil Pritchard Sarah Goss			Phil Housden	Mick Selley	Lesley Spicer	Jo Butchart	Pat Kelly	Liz Duffin	Eric Street	Sandie Collins	Sandy Davis	James Paddock	Norman Clinnick	Jane Hudson	Tanja Maus	Jean Dalziel	Miranda Shoebridge	Jan Wilson	Jack Norris	Richard Boardman	Vivienne Scales		
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1.	Welcome Stephen Cocks opened the meeting by thanking everyone for attending and circulated papers.																						
2.	Approval of AGM Minutes & Matters Arising The Minutes of 11/11/17 were accepted as an accurate record. <u>Business Cards</u> It was confirmed that the business cards have been purchased and are being circulated. They are proving successful at promoting the Group. <u>Advertising Walks</u> The Groups walks are now advertised on the Ramblers website. Steve Nicholas also pins a provisional schedule to the Group's Facebook page.																						
3.	Annual Report – October 2017 to September 2018 Summarised as follows:- <u>Chairman's Report</u> Stephen reported that the Group remained stable, there was good participation and there were no incidents to report. The Group's reputation of being friendly and welcoming has ensured numbers of new members remained positive. Stephen thanked all walk leaders for their continued provision of a good range of walks, he																						

	thanked Members for their continued attendance and he thanked Committee Members for their positive contribution to the running of the Group. Stephen confirmed the Group has taken steps to ensure it is compliant with GDPR legislation. In addition, Hampshirewalkers.org.uk website has moved to the Ramblers-Webs hosting provider, which is centrally funded and supported. Stephen thanked those Members who have organised social events for the Group, including the 2017 Christmas Party (Richard and Viv), meals (Jamie, Rakhee and Hasna), cinema and theatre evenings (Hasna and Jamie) and attendance at the Meon Valley Barn Dance. Stephen confirmed that the Christmas Party which was being held on 8 December 2018 had attracted 40 attendees and the meal at the Railway pub on 15 December currently had 18 people signed up. On behalf of the Committee and Members, Carol Ransome thanked Stephen for his continued leadership of the Committee, the specialist IT work he had put into the website, and leading a significant number of walks including the three Group trips which were very well attended. <u>Membership Secretary's Report</u> Carol confirmed membership has risen by 2% and is now 176 Members. Carol asked walk leaders to encourage new members to take out Ramblers membership and to identify Hampshire 40+ as their nominated Group. In order to comply with GDPR, attendance lists were no longer being taken at the start of walks. The Ramblers are trialling a new electronic registration system so that membership data can be gathered and analysed. Carol confirmed she has resigned from the Committee. Stephen thanked Carol for her valued contribution over many years. <u>Walk Co-Ordinator's Report</u> Steve said it has been a very successful year, with the Group providing over 100 walks organised by a small number of committed walk leaders, with others adding walks ad hoc. He thanked Elaine and Phil for putting on a range of summer evening walks which were well attended. Steve confirmed that the three Group trips organised in 2018 by Stephen to the Cotswolds, Lyme Regis and Wiltshire were very well attended. There were three potential Group walks for 2019 in the Quantocks, Pembrokeshire and the Lake District (to be confirmed).	
4.	Accounts - Summarised as follows:- <u>Treasurers Report</u> Neil circulated a copy of the Income and Expenditure Accounts to 30/09/18 which had been independently examined and signed off by Jan Wilson and submitted to the Ramblers. Neil highlighted the following:- • In order to comply with the Ramblers financial procedures, the Committee had returned £500.00 to the Ramblers Area Group. • The balance in the main account at 30/09/18 was £263.61. • The balance in the surplus account at 30/09/18 was £1,243.29, however, a significant	

	amount of these funds were being held to pay the remaining balance for the Christmas Party 2018 and the final surplus balance was likely to be approximately £95.00.	
5.	Election of Committee Members • Stephen Cocks - Chair (Proposed by David Morris. Seconded by Terry Jones.) • David Morris – Deputy Chair (Proposed by Terry Jones. Seconded by Carol Ransome.) • Mandy Norris - Secretary (Proposed by Carol Ransome. Seconded by Pat Kelly.) • Neil Elder – Treasurer (Proposed by Carole Ransome. Seconded by Mandy Norris.) • Jan Wilson – Membership Secretary (Proposed by David Morris. Seconded by Pat Kelly.) • Steve Nicholas – Walks Co-ordinator (Proposed by Pat Kelly. Seconded by Mandy Norris.) • Terry Jones – Honorary Committee Member (Proposed by Stephen Cocks. Seconded by Mandy Norris.) • Simon Gale – Independent Examiner Terry Jones and David Morris stepped down from their roles as Area Representatives with David being appointed Deputy Chair and Terry Jones remaining on the Committee as an Honorary Committee Member. It was agreed that attendance at Area Meetings would be shared between Committee Members. Phil Housden and Mick Selley said they would be interested in being involved with Ramblers footpaths and Stephen agreed to pass further information in due course. Pat Kelly, on behalf of all Members, gave thanks to the work carried out by the Committee during 2017/18.	
6.	Any Other Business • Walk Start Times – Steve Nicholas agreed to ensure that walk adverts included a message about people turning up 15 minutes prior to the start time and that walks would start promptly. • In Case of Emergency Cards – Stephen agreed to order from the Ramblers website. • Car Sharing – Members to be encouraged to participate in informal car sharing arrangements. • Facebook Membership – It was agreed the Group’s Facebook page was a peer group rather than a Ramblers site and would continue to operate with ‘open access’ so that anyone could view its pages, although membership to post or comment on posts was still subject to approval by a Moderator to reduce the risk of advertising.	