

Minutes of Red Rope NC Meeting, 22 June 2021, by Zoom

Present: Becky B, Sarah B, John M, Janet S, Robert M, Humphrey S, David S, Barbara S, Damien C, Diana J.

Apologies: Pete W.

1. Implications of government 'road map' for forthcoming trips

10 people had booked onto the Hathersage trip (in September) in time for EBD. Deadline for final decision re. go-ahead to be extended to 19 July. Humphrey to contact all members who have attended national gatherings in the past two years and to send a general reminder via WebCollect.

Time from prospective end of restrictions to Lowstern trip is short. Assuming we can go ahead Becky thinks that some trip members may withdraw, in which case she will discuss payment for places with the hut owners.

2. Anniversaries of Winterhill & Kinder trespasses.

David & Barbara to research costs of pennants/flags and hi-viz tabards and to decide, with Janet, what we should order. Both could be used for events other than the trespasses. Winter Hill event in September to be publicised to RR members.

3. Attracting & keeping new members

Agreed that we should do more to involve new members. Humphrey to talk to Gill P. about taking over the regular notification of new members to regions. Becky & Sarah to draft a document about Red Rope for new members, to include politics & philosophy, club structure, organisational issues & trips.

Social media group to continue working on the provision of a more effective Facebook group and the possibility of other forms of social media. Group to be coordinated by Janet and to include Pat & Diana from Merseyside. Janet to draft an email to members to gauge existing expertise and to encourage more volunteers to get involved. Agreed to fund training to around £500 once a strategy has been finalised.

Janet to update RR entry on BMC website.

4. Review of Hut-sharing Agreement with LMC

This is due for review this year. LMC don't see the need for any changes, but a few things agreed between the clubs subsequent to the original agreement need to be incorporated. As members of each club (RR & LMC) may now turn up during a group booking by the other club, there's a need to clarify what constitutes an 'exclusive booking'. Barbara to suggest to LMC that where this is a possibility, over-crowding could be avoided if the number of places booked was displayed on the web calendar.

Barbara Segal, 23/06/21