

## CTC NORTH YORKSHIRE

Minutes of Committee meeting 17th June 2024 at Wigginton Recreational Hall

### **Present:**

Ann Benton (AB), Keith Benton (KB) , Andrew Richardson - Chair (AR),  
Jacqueline Mountford-Green ( JMG), Julie Mccallum (JM),  
Philip Martin (PM), Graeme Matthew (GM), Eamon Prendergast (EP)

### **Apologies for absence:**

James Benbow, David Nunns

### **Chair for Meeting:**

AR

### **Minutes of the previous meeting:**

Approved

### **Matters arising:**

None

### **Thirsk Ladies Report:**

Delivered by JMG and accepted

### **Rights of Way Report:**

Delivered by PM and accepted

PM reminded the meeting that Cycling UK has recently launched their [5-year cycling strategy](#) and encouraged everyone to read it.

### **Treasures Report:**

Delivered by KB and accepted

The club funds have benefited from several Audax events and the meeting expressed its appreciation of the work done by Don L, Bryan S and Keith B.

The club funds are adequate for our needs but a Reserve policy might be useful.

### **Events Secretary Report:**

Delivered by AR and accepted

Events: There had been a good turnout for all events.

Awards Lunch: It was agreed to use club funds to offer a free first drink to all attendees and half priced meal to event organisers. **Action:** AR to organise.

### **50th Birthday celebrations of NYCTC:**

There would be a Audax-type ride from Thirsk on 17th May, Not being an Audax will simplify the organisation.

It was decided to have a meal after the AGM on 6th April to celebrate the 50 anniversary of the founding of CTCNY. The meeting felt that combining the meal with the AGM would increase participation. The AGM would be held in Thirsk. **Action:** JMG and JM to identify a suitable venue.

### **Publishing the CTCNY book:**

As it would be difficult to decide on the number for an initial print run, the option of print on demand offered by Amazon would be considered. **Action:** JMG to obtain costing and make a recommendation.

### **Re-supply of Award Medals:**

It was agreed to purchase 200 additional medals. **Action:** AR to organise

### **Retirement of Bishop John, Cycling Bishop of Selby:**

Bishop John's last service would be on 14th July at 10:00 am at Selby Abbey. As Bishop John was a strong advocate and supporter of cycling, AB would represent CTCNY and other cyclist should be encouraged to attend. **Action:** AB

### **Publicity Officer:**

AR spoke of the need for a Publicity Officer to promote CTCNY. CTCNY members should be encourage to use Facebook. The position should be advertised via Facebook. **Action: AR**

### **Date of next meeting:**

28th October at 13:30 Wigginton church rooms

**Meeting closed 12:50.**

## Officers Reports:

### **Thirsk Ladies Report to North Yorkshire CTC committee meeting 17/6/24** **From Jacqueline Mountford-Green**

*This year saw the 10th Anniversary of the formation of Thirsk Ladies and the milestone has been marked already with some amazing achievements over some wet and windy days.*

*Some ladies are now cycling occasionally with mixed groups, including Sowerby Sunday Club; Ryedale Velo, Easingwold Breeze. Also one lady has completed 100 miles on a very wet day for her charity.*

*Our monthly invitation rides this year, have already seen some excellently planned rides that allow for a shortened route if there are newcomers.*

### **50th Celebrations**

*I've been looking at a suitable venue in Thirsk for our celebratory lunch next year.*

*Fleece Inn can do up to 50 people @ £45 pp*

*I can also look at other local venues plus outside caterers but a ballpark figure might be useful.*

### **Book Update**

*Thanks to our new committee member I have been in conversation with a publisher who is willing and able to publish the book.*

*He is aware of the issues that still require attention and has given me an estimate of costs that will depend on how many books we require or whether we require print on demand.*

*I now need the go ahead from the committee so that we can get this on the market by next year.*

### **CTC committee June 17<sup>th</sup> Rights of way report**

#### **Cycling UK: General election**

- *Cycling UK are asking us to email the candidates in our areas asking them to support cycling*
- *They have already contacted all candidates*
- *Now they are asking us to do the same: it's very quick and easy*
- *Emailed everyone on June 12th*
- *Just enter your name and postcode and it creates emails to all the local candidates*
- ***Investing in active travel***, ramping up to at least 10% of the total transport budget within five years.
- ***Producing an integrated transport strategy*** designed to give people more transport choices, with targets to reduce traffic
- ***Improving the planning system*** by ensuring all new homes are required to have excellent walking and cycling networks

#### **Cycling UK: new strategy**

- *Emailed members on June 14th*
- *It's good: please read it!*
  - *Improve perceptions of cycling so that everyone sees the benefits*
  - *Makie cycling an even more positive experience.*

- *Boost the number and diversity of people who cycle*
- *Increase transport choice by enabling and encouraging more people to cycle local journeys*
- *Achieve greater impact by becoming the best possible charity we can be*

#### *Thirsk local cycling and walking plan*

- *NYC are writing this plan with consultants WSP*
- *Identifies cycling and walking routes in Thirsk*
- *Can be used as a tool to bid for funds to start implementing some schemes*
- *Thirsk Area Cycle Campaign invited to take part as a stakeholder*
- *First meeting April 30th*
- *Jacqueline and I collected lots of ideas from local cyclists: 10 pages*
- *Next meeting June 24<sup>th</sup>*

#### *Mayoral elections for York and North Yorkshire*

- *David Skaith (Labour) is the new mayor*
- *In favour of active travel*
- *I'm writing to him, asking how we can engage*