Norfolk Young Walkers Group - Committee 18 May 2010

Chairman: Richard May (RM) Minutes: Amy Stanbrook (AS)

Attendees: Graham Finlayson (GF), Ian Hardicker (IH), David Lees (DL), Paula

Stone (PS)

No	Agenda Item	Agreed Actions (and member responsible)
1	Welcome by the Chairman	
	RM welcomed the attendees to the meeting.	None
2	Apologies	
	RM noted that apologies were given by Silje Hovstad.	None
3	Minutes of previous AGM	
	RM asked the group to provide any comment on the minutes of the last committee meeting (held on 26 May 2009).	None
	RM signed the minutes as an accurate record of proceedings.	
4	Matters arising	
	GF queried need for petty cash, and RM agreed that there was no current need for petty cash.	None
5	Minutes of 2010 AGM	
	RM provided copies of minutes from this year's AGM for the group to consider but no formal comment was made.	None
6	Matters arising	1
	No significant areas of progress to report since the AGM in April.	None

7	Committee member roles/workflow	
	Walks Secretary –	
	IH noted that the next walk programme for August to October 2010 needs to be provisionally prepared by 19 June. RM clarified that there is flexibility over this deadline.	Committee to meet in later June to review planned programme.
	Ordinary member –	
	PS asked for clarification regarding responsibilities of role.	Committee members to ask PS to assist.
	Combined Secretary –	10 405151.
	The group agreed it would sensible to have a specific revised website page on the membership process, and for a new e-mail to be set up that will be used on the front page of the website.	RM to set up new e- mail addresses, and DL to amend website.
	AS queried how information could be obtained about names of current NYWG Ramblers (to start membership list, which will be kept by AS and shared with Committee members only).	RM to send through current list to AS.
	The group agreed that AS would encourage new group members to sign up to the forum, and explain how group membership works. AS would then notify IH re: paid-up members with a view to developing more walk leaders. IH would progress this with interested group members.	AS to take queries and start up membership list.
8	Walk report form	
	RM presented a draft format for the new walk leader's report form.	
	Group members suggested it would be helpful if this form could be downloaded from the NYWG site (in Microsoft Word), and for it be amended to include walk location and length.	RM to amend draft form, and send to AS.
	The form would be used by walk leaders and e-mailed or sent by post to AS (who will collate information).	AS to contact walk leaders with new form when received

		from RM.
	AS & DL added that they have created a new map to add to the NYWG website that plot all previous walks since 2007 and could be used to help new walk leads.	AS/DL to continue with, and publish map on site.
9	Group logo	
	DL presented seven options for a new group logo (for Hike Norfolk - decision allowing).	
	The group discussion and agreed the introduction of a new logo if the group name receives area approval on 10 July.	DL to amend website.
10	Website	
	DL queried whether a new domain name had been set up to support the re-branding of the group to Hike Norfolk.	RM to reserve domain name.
	The group discussed the current website and agreed the following page amendments/additions:	
	Front Page: text to be amended to say 'younger ramblers in their 30s and 40s'.	DL to amend front page.
	Committee: AS & DL to set up new committee page which will set out roles and brief responsibilities, and contact details through forum.	AS/DL to set up new page.
	Forum header : DL requested that amendment be made to the forum header bar, and online calendar setup.	RM to amend forum header bar/calendar set-up.
	Walking Pages: IH to prepare draft for new pages that set out how to lead a walk and send to committee members for comment,	IH to prepare draft.
	Group members also discussed the suggestion of a map-reading course, and it was agreed to be useful. RM suggested that this could be run prior to an event.	
	GF suggested that Google docs could be used to share information rather than sending by e-mail.	GF to investigate further.

11	Plan/targets for the next 6 months			
	The group agreed it would be useful to issue an e-mail about the group to existing and older members after 10 July (if name change agreed).	E-mail to be sent after 10 July.		
	The group also agreed the following objectives for the next 6 months:			
	 To provide a full new walking programme for August to October with at least one walk per week 			
	 To run a summer event to re-launch the group (provisionally in August) 			
	AS suggested that venue suggestions be e-mailed between committee members by end of May.	Committee members to send suggestions.		
	 To keep and maintain better records of membership and walk attendance 	Suggestions.		
12	Any other business			
	The group agreed to meet again in late June to review the planned walk programme, and to discuss the summer event further.			
Next Meeting				
The next Committee meeting will be in late June – date/venue to be arranged.				