



Cycle Seahaven

5th Annual General Meeting

Shakespeare Hall, Newhaven

7th February 2014

Minutes

1. **Committee Members present:** Dennis Bass, Andy Lock, Jamie Lynch (Chair), Tony Rowsell.
 - a. **Apologies** were received from the following Committee Members: Eddie Collict, Dave Geering, Roger White, Mark Woodgate, Rod Lambert. 26 other members tendered their apologies (list appended).
 - b. 31 members were present.
2. **Welcome** The Chairman, Jamie Lynch (JL) welcomed those attending and introduced current members of the Committee who were present.
3. **Minutes** of the 2013 AGM were agreed and signed.
4. **Chairman's Report** JL presented his report (copy attached).
 - a. He emphasized that 2013 had been a very successful year in rides, events and campaigns and briefly reviewed the key highlights.
 - b. He thanked the Committee for all the hard work which had made this success possible and paid tribute to those retiring, Jill Spencer (Secretary) and Sally Hardy (Publicity). He emphasised the need for a Secretary to replace Jill.
 - c. He paid tribute to Lewis Coleman, a very active member who had died during the year.
5. **Treasurer and Membership Secretary's Report** Denis Bass (DB) presented his reports (copy attached).
 - a. Income had been £922.45, Expenditure £938.55, and there remained a balance of £935.34.
 - b. At 8th January 2014 there were 139 paid up members.
 - c. The Committee would not be making any recommendation for a change in subscription rates.
 - d. Members' comments focused on why members leave.
 - e. The report was approved unanimously.
6. **Rides Co-ordinator's Report** (copy attached) This was read in Dave Geering's absence.
 - a. Thanks were expressed to all Ride Leaders.
 - b. Members' comments focused on the limited availability of low level rides, the possibility of rides starting from Peacehaven/Saltdean, the use of cycle cafès at Brighton and Lewes.

7. Campaigns Report Andy Lock presented the report from himself and Eddie Collict (copy attached).

- a. AL stated that all the campaigns under way at the start of the year had seen significant progress if not completion: Exceat Hill permissive bypass, Bishopstone rail bridge completion, Seaford Promenade Easter trial, A259 Newhaven consultation, stage one of the Ouse Valley Cycle Network completion.
- b. Continued pressure and patient negotiation would still be needed to further these.
- c. Future plans included more consultation on the Newhaven–Peacehaven route, revitalizing an abandoned pump and jump track at Fort Road and a cycle route in the Big Park’s project at Peacehaven.
- d. Members’ suggestions for further campaigns included a wider cycle path Alfriston to Drusillas, difficulties at Exceat Causeway, removal of no cycling in twittens.

8. Election of Committee

- a. Existing Committee Members willing to start for re-election were:
 - i. Jamie Lynch – Chairman;
 - ii. Denis Bass – Treasurer and Membership;
 - iii. Andy Lock – Campaigns;
 - iv. Dave Geering – Rides and Events
 - v. Eddie Collict – Campaigns
 - vi. Tony Rowsell – Maps and Minute Secretary;
 - vii. Rod Lambert;
 - viii. Mark Woodgate;
 - ix. Roger White.
- b. Members agreed unanimously to their re-election.
- c. New Committee Member – proposed by AL, seconded DB, Clive Aberdour – Website. This was agreed unanimously.

9. Nominated Charity It was agreed that Ouse Valley Cycle Network would remain as our designated charity for a further year.

- a. It was noted that it really needed someone to develop and organise fund raising events.

10. Club Jerseys After discussion, it was agreed that three designs would be placed on the website for members to show their preference. Subsequently orders would be requested before manufacture.

- a. It was agreed that a maximum of four logos (club and advertisers) would be permitted.

11. Any Other Business

- a. First Aid courses, new and refresher, would be run again this year.
- b. The Chairman thanked Dennis & Sharon Bass for the provision of the chilli, jacket potatoes and salad which now awaited the members.

12. The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

Subsequent to the meeting, Philip Manning, Sustrans Project Officer (Bike It) Schools, agreed to be co-opted on to the Committee.