

# ***Wheelrights***

## **Notes of AGM on 17th October 2017 in the Environment Centre, SA1 1RY**

Present: Simon Bailey (SB), Nick Guy (NG), Mike Lewis (ML), David Naylor (DN), Chris Walsh (CW), John Sayce (JS), Mike Cherry (MC), Alan Kreppel (AK), Colin Fielder (CF), Alice Saville (AS), Dawn Aplin (DA), Pat Hansard (PH), Don Ashman (DA)

Apologies: Gordon Gibson, David Judd, Hamish Osborn, Chris Connick, John Cardy

**Minutes of 2016 AGM were accepted as correct.**

### **Working Groups**

#### **Gower Cycling Festival**

DN reported on another successful Festival with more people from away, and more doing more rides. A glitch arranging the Launch at Blackpill was overcome with help of Cllr Mark Child (and an admin fee of £35). The camping was successful at Dunvant. WR made approx. £400 profit. There was some discussion about the low Registration fee of £5 and JS asked the GCF group to consider raising this to £10, and this to include WR membership.

#### **Campaign Group**

JS reported the success of getting WR Cycling Manifesto accepted by Swansea Council, and the challenge of helping them implement this. Main aim is to link 10 Council wards with the city centre by a network of new bike routes. WR launching a new campaign to create bike lanes along Walter Road to Uplands. A crucial issue is the low spend on cycling and WR taking this up at Welsh Govt level.

#### **Routes Group**

DN reported on-going work evaluating existing and new possible routes. The Routes Group provided a detailed submission to the INM, with final Council INM being expected soon.

#### **Officers` Reports**

Provided by Chris Walsh, Nick Guy and John Sayce (see WR website).

#### **Elections:**

CW, NG, JS and Claudine all re-elected as treasurer, secretary, chair and vice-chair.

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#### **Speaker: Jayne Cornelius (Sustainable Travel Officer at Swansea University)**

She described the success of the University`s bid to bring a bike scheme to Swansea -- starting with 50 bikes based at 5 docking stations between the 2 campuses. The bid is in last 5 and success now depends on crowd-funding to raise £70k, and Jayne made a plea for WR help. If successful this bike rental scheme would significantly boost cycling in Swansea. Crowd Funding runs from 6<sup>th</sup> Nov -8<sup>th</sup> December and people can sign up (min £5) via [www.crowdfunder.co.uk/bikes4swansea](http://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/bikes4swansea) also see [www.swansea.ac.uk/bikescheme](http://www.swansea.ac.uk/bikescheme)

#### **AOB**

Green Fayre 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> Nov at Waterfront Museum; WR sharing a stall with BikeAbilityWales, and volunteers needed – Contact Nick Guy with offers to do 2 hours.

Discussed a Xmas Social Dawn agreed to arrange.

Post Meeting note: Ripples agreed to arrange Film Night on 24<sup>th</sup> Nov 7pm to show French film “The kid with a bike” Entrance £10 to go towards Swansea Bike Scheme bid with curry & soft drinks provided.

Nick Guy (*Wheelrights* secretary)