



## Minutes for DCRA meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018

### Agenda

- Apologies
- Chairman's Report
- Treasures Report
- Secretaries report
- Email Issues
- Membership report
- Trips and activities report
- Walking group report
- GDPR
- Proposed changes to the constitution
- AOB

### Chairman's Report

#### Apologies

Jill Price, Ron Free, Diane Doble, Ruth Beasley, Richard Thomas, Jane and Rob Wardle, Frank Maltby, Mike Bullows, Mike Dams, Tony Cheeseman, Brenda and Bert Dowdell, Brian and Mary Currie.

#### Bereavements

Gwynne Hall, Joan Williams, William James, Les Stuffins, Jim Madge

## Secretaries Report

Minutes were reviewed from meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018, no matters arising or amendments.

## Email Issues

There have been some problems with emails not being received via the secretary's email account and so Richard will look at setting up a google group for the DCRA membership. Owner will be Richard, manager would be Val and people allowed to post would be Margaret and Kaye.

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## Treasurers Report

The 2017 Accounts were audited and approved by Dave Edwards. A copy of the 2017 year-end accounts will be posted in the DCRA website by Val Caple.

Current balance, between both accounts, is £6566.95. For 1 page summary see attachment.

## Membership Report

The DCRA now has 307 members, 298 existing members and 9 new members. 40 people didn't renew their membership and 5 resigned.

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## Trips and Activities Report

Social evening in March was successful and there was support for organizing social events from the DCRA membership.

However, the Lunch in Sully in May had to be cancelled due to poor take-up.

The Tenby trip went ahead on the 21<sup>st</sup> June.

Liverpool trip planned for 18<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> September 2018, has now been cancelled due to lack of support.

Thanks to Kaye and Sue for organizing the social calendar.

### Walking group Report

2 walks undertaken for April and May. The April walk was in the Wye Valley and was the muddiest walk ever attempted and said to be a terrible mistake by the organizer!

However, the May walk along the Taff was very pleasant being proposed by Robin Pitcher.

An Honorarium of £200 was agreed by the committee for the Walking group for the Tenerife walking holiday this year.

See complete report attached

### GDPR

If you have signed on as a DCRA member then there is nothing further you need to do. If you want to be removed from emailing and communication lists then contact one of the committee members. The 8-line GDPR policy is on the website. <http://www.dcretirees.org.uk/>

### Proposed Changes to the Constitution

These must be voted in at the AGM.

Proposed changes include: -

Removal of references to the welfare group.

There will no longer be 2 reminders for DCRA membership renewal.

Include statement about GDPR and make it clear what we use the data for.

See complete document attached.

### AOB

Future meeting will be held in the Nature Centre as it has better car parking facilities now the DCRA members cannot use the Dow main car park.

Richard to change the venue

## **Summer events at the nature centre.**

Wednesday 25th July - Swift conservation

Short walk (although people can stay indoors) and then a talk about swift conservation and the new swift tower construction here on site. It will be about an hour but then time can be set aside time for a catch up with each other. This can be in the day or early evening, which ever you think is best.

Tuesday 21st August - Retirees family day

Exploring Cadoxton Ponds 10.30 until 2.00pm (can come for part or all the session) you need to bring your own picnic lunch and refreshments.

## **Next Meetings**

**AGM 3rd Sept 2018 DCRA Annual General Meeting at 2pm in Nature center south gate Dow Corning, please try to attend if possible as we will discuss and vote on changes to the DCRA operation and constitution.**

**3rd December 2018 DCRA Quarterly Meeting at 2pm in Nature center south gate Dow Corning,main gate Dow Corning**

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Looking forward to seeing you all at the next meeting.