**Splinter Walking and Social Group**

**Committee Meeting Minutes**

Date: 07/11/2021

Venue: Sunday walk

Attendees: David Murphy (DM); Pam Renshaw (PR); Phil Thorp (PT)

Absentees: Sheila Baldwin (SB)

Agenda

1. Position of Group Organiser

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| * DM confirmed his intention to stand down from the position of Group’s Organiser by mid-2022 due to changes in personal circumstances. Surprisingly his tenure had already lasted 7 years! Although no rush to find a replacement, DM was giving us plenty of time to arrange. He agreed his experience would always be available in the future to the new incumbent to support and occasionally stand-in for. * It was agreed an initial face-to-face approach to a potential replacement was preferred to a round-robin email. Derek Lawrence (DL) was thought suitable (with his recent work experience, current voluntary work and IT abilities). PT made the immediate approach. DL was receptive but would need some time to consider his situation. | Action |
| 2. Position of Group Social Secretary   * The 3 remaining Committee members were becoming increasingly   concerned about SB’s lack of contact and involvement with the  Group (see below).   * It was suggested a joint change of Organiser and Social Secretary might   be appropriate depending on SB’s circumstances. Although DM had been previously trying to raise her by email/text he was not getting any response. PT agreed to ring SB on her last known phone number to attempt to chat about her situation.   * To pre-empt any potential difficulties with SB it was discussed with DL whether Cath, his wife (CL), would be interested in taking over SB’s role. DL agreed to a ‘soft’ approach with CL. | **PT**  **DL** |
| 3. Any Other Business   * These minutes formally record the suggestion in March 2021 by PR and PT to dispense with the £1 walking fee for the remainder of 2021 when walks re-commenced after the pandemic lockdown. The suggestion was agreed by a Committee majority (SB failed to respond to the email). |  |

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