Committee Meeting Minutes 17/9/25

Apologies received from Sue Chapman and Donna Davison. Present Sheila O'Brien, Simon Kerr, Kath Smith, Sandra Chapman and John Dudley

1. **Minutes of last meeting and matters arising** – minutes discussed **Action - Publicity Officer vacancy/authorisation for the spend for extra food for the group picnic to be added.**
2. **Chairperson's Report (Sheila)** – report discussed and the committee was pleased that approximately £145 was raised for Macmillan with the certificate to follow. It was also noted that the summer evening walks were not as well attended as previous years but the decision was taken to continue as members who had attended enjoyed them.
3. **Walk Coordinator's Report (Simon)** – report discussed 57 Sunday/Tuesday walks with only 1 cancelled. 4 evening walks. The committee discussed Walk Leaders registration. **Actions** – **Simon to email active walk leaders who hadn't registered/completed training to remind them to do so before 31/12/2025. Also encourage more Walk leaders to come forward.**
4. **Treasurer's Report (Donna)** – report discussed and the committee agreed to fund mince pies etc. for the annual Festive Walk in December. Closing balance for end of year account £509.27 noted.
5. **Footpath Officer's Report (John)** – report discussed and concerns over overgrown paths noted. Spot clearing was undertaken for the Walking Festival and Local Government Reorganisation raised as a concern for the future. **Action - secateurs may be needed by Walk Leaders due to overgrown paths.**
6. **Membership Secretary's report (Kath) –** report discussed membership numbers remain steady.
7. **Website Admin's Report (Sandra) -** report discussed. **Action – Members to be encouraged to supply more photos for Facebook and website. Send via WhatsApp to Sandra.**
8. **Social Events** – evening walks discussed.
9. **Christmas Lunch –** Committee agreed date of 14/12/2025 and discussed venues. The Star at Ashton Under Hill was the favourite and numbers in the first instance to be restricted to 20 with a non-returnable deposit of £10 agreed. **Action – Sheila to ring venue and book.**
10. **AGM arrangements –** Committee agreed the date of 23/11/25 and the venue of Lower Moor Village Hall.
11. **AOB –** Committee agreed meeting minutes and reports to be placed on the website. **Action – reports to be sent to Sandra in word.**

Meeting closed at 20.20

Kath Smith