

1. **Present:**

Alan Cook (Chair)
Sarah Grimshaw (Secretary)
Kenny Mitchell
Paul Glossop
Mick Style
Ian Small
Len Woffindin
Mark Goodchild
Karl Norman
Craig Sneddon
Colin Humphreys
Mick Spiers
Ray Pugh
John Gillmore
Dave Haygarth
Marcus Simmons

Apologies:

Adam Newall
Christine Woffindin
Mike Fuggacia
Craig Tabiner
Richie Watts
Adrian Watts

2. **Minutes from previous meeting**

Action / Update

Minutes from the meeting held on 4th May 2017 were agreed
(LW/DH)

3. **Secretary's report**

SG – Despite having had a particularly difficult season (due to weather, not due to any fault of the organisers) we have again had an increase in rider numbers. Youth and women/girls have all increased which has been encouraging to see.

The number of people volunteering has increased but we still need to continue to encourage people to volunteer in a number of different roles.

First aid cover has been consistent by using a single company for the season. This has worked well for organisers and riders having a reliable single point of contact.

The annual presentation took place and was well attended. A new venue in Preston was used to accommodate the increase in numbers. Feedback was good so we will look to go back again next year.

4. **Treasurer's report**

John Gillmore provided a full breakdown of the annual expenditure and income. Current balance is approximately £13,500 credit.

5. **Election of officials**

Chair – Alan Cook (proposed **LW**, seconded **RP**)
Secretary – Sarah Grimshaw (proposed **AC**, seconded **LW**)
Membership Secretary – Kenny Mitchell (proposed **SG**, seconded **DH**)

Treasurer – John Gillmore (proposed **LW**, seconded **CH**)
Volunteer Coordinator – Craig Tabiner is unable to continue with the role. Position to be advertised online.
League Tables – Mick Speirs (proposed **DH**, seconded **RP**)
Team Manager/Press Officer – Dave Haygarth (proposed **DH**, seconded **RP**)
Committee – Mick Style, Len Woffindin, Ray Pugh

6. Event Date Fixing

A number of provisional dates have been submitted.
Dates to avoid:

National Trophy dates:

6th/7th October 2018 – Derby
27th/28th October 2018 – Irvine
10th/11th November 2018 – Crawley
24th/25th November 2018 – York
8th/9th December 2018 – Ipswich
5th/6th January 2019 – Shrewsbury

12th/13th January 2019 – National Champs

7. Proposals

1. Paul Glossop - U10/12 race to be split to U10/12 girls and U10/12 boys
2. Paul Glossop - Start line to be off the main circuit and clearly marked with grid positions. Riders to assemble behind the grid line, be gridded and briefed whilst the previous race underway. Once the course is clear from the previous category, the race may start.

DH – warm up needs to be done on the course between races.
Timing system cannot just be switched between races.

LW – there is lots of work that goes on between races – checking/changing the course etc

RP – with more volunteers assisting riders could be gridded off the course.

8. Any other business

DH – Split points on girls/boy's tables and also U14/16 youth tables to give separate results.

AC – Transponder system. We would like to be in a position to buy a new system with a grant/sponsorship/league funds. We would prefer to delay this by a year to enable more funds to be available rather than asking individuals to pay for their own transponders.

A full calendar will be published when all dates are finalised.

3 in favour/13 against splitting the U10/12 race – race format to stay unchanged.

All in favour of the organisers handbook to be updated with a recommendation of gridding to be done off the course with an off course start where possible.

This was a misunderstanding last year which will be rectified.

LW – we currently use a passive system (£8 each transponder) which don't work as well in the wet as an active system (£24 each transponder). The benefits of an active system will speed up races and take some pressure off the

SG – Hoodies. Sarah has looked into the possibility of getting NWCCA made available to buy using a company who would set up an account for purchase to be made directly with the supplier. www.touchline-embroidery.co.uk

SG – Joey's café who attended the last event at Beacon and also Cartmel last year has contacted the league and is happy to attend all events.

MS – suggested a sales/wanted/swaps page to be added to the Facebook page to encourage a local market in cyclocross gear for members.

timing team.

New logo design request to go out onto social media.

Organisers to make contact with Joey on 07775735753 if they would like his catering at their event.

Marcus is happy to take on and manage the page.

Meeting was closed at 21.30hrs