7 November 2007

Held at Blackcurrent Housing Co-operative, 24 St Michaels Avenue, Northampton.

Present

John Alcock
Rosemary Alcock
Philip Gray (chair of meeting)
Bob Hastings
Sue Hastings
George Stevens
Brian Tunbridge
Dave Upton
Eleanor Weller
John Weller

Maxwell Scott Claire Yearby (minute taker)

Apologies

Peter Crighton Peter Neve Philip Letts Pill Simpson.

Minutes of Last Meeting

These were agreed with corrections to the spelling of Matt Embleton's name, and the award he received which should have read 'CTC Certificate of Merit'.

Treasurer's Report

There has been no financial activity throughout the year except for income of £72.50 profit received from summer barbecue. After donating £20 to Blackcurrent Housing Co-operative for the use of the meeting room for the AGM this leaves a balance of £52.50.

Appointment of Committee

The following people offered to stand and no further nominations were received. All appointments were unanimously agreed by members present,

- Chair Philip Grav
- Secretary and Volunteer Registration Brian Tunbridge
- Treasurer Bill Simpson
- Rides Secretary and Webmaster Peter Crighton
- General Committee Members Eleanor Weller, John Weller, Philip Letts and John Cutler

CTC Policy Handbook

The meeting received a presentation from Philip Gray on the implications of the new handbook for local sections. A discussion followed during which the following decisions were made:

- Legal structure all agreed that the Northampton Section of CTC should become a Member Group as described in the new CTC Policy Handbook, with the above appointments forming the Management Committee
- Name two proposals were put forward as to the name of the new Member Group. Of the members present, two voted for "Northampton"

- Cyclists' Touring Club" and eight for "CTC Northampton". The meeting therefore agreed to the new name of "CTC Northampton".
- Relationship with DA it was felt there was no need to make any changes to this, and that the current arrangements for subscription claims should continue for the time being.

Further issues were raised which the committee agreed to follow up at a later date. These included:

- How new riders are welcomed / leaflet for new riders
- Should leaders of each ride have contact details of members present

Slide Show

A slide show was presented by Philip Gray, with photographs of members' activities throughout the year, including a trip to Tour of Flanders as well as group rides.

Suggestions for next years programme

CTC Birthday Rides in Cotswolds
Tour of Flanders / Tilf Bastogne Tilf / Amstel Gold
Coast to Coast

AOB / Notices

Northampton Carnival – a letter of thanks and certificate of participation has been received for the groups involvement in 2007. This also included an invitation to take part in 2008, which the committee agreed to discuss at a future meeting.

Columbus Bike Trailers are available from Blackcurrent Housing Co-opertaive at a price of £200 each. Anyone interested in purchasing / viewing these should contact Martin on 01604 628956.

Steven Dyster was suggested as a possible speaker for a CTC Northampton slide show.

A CTC Northampton newsletter should be in production shortly, including an article on the 'People's Millions' and Sustrans bid for improved cycling facilities in Northamptonshire.