

**Tachwedd 22 November
2017**

Minutes (Accepted)

Attendance:

Tim Jepson (TJ, Chair); Iona Pawson (IP, Secretary)

40+ people attended the area meeting (as per the AGM) despite appalling weather conditions and road closures due to flooding.

Apologies: Nigel Tuckley, Bryn Williams, Bev Tull, Nicola Jasieniecka, Andy Boorman, Calum Muskett, Richard Bale, Anthony Eccles, Neal Hockley, Stephen Jones, Tabitha Angle Smith, Elton Angle Smith, Tarquin Shipley, Chris Mutton, Ian Martin, Martin Wall

1. Welcome and thanks

TJ thanked Kate Worthington for her work as chair over the last two years and welcomed everyone to his first meeting in the chair.

2. Note issues for AOB

As time was short after the AGM, and there were two important, and potentially lengthy, issues on the agenda (i.e. items 4 and 6) TJ suggested that all other agenda items should be set aside until the next local area meeting in the New Year. This was agreed.

3. Accept Minutes of the previous meeting – Y Vaynol, Nant Peris. 5 Sept 2017

Set aside until the next meeting

4. BMC Organisational Review – 30 mins apx

Rebecca Ting and Rab Carrington, both members of the Organisational Review Group (ORG), presented the purpose, methodology, findings and recommendations of the group's recently published report. (The report is available, in full and summary form, on the BMC's website.) Individuals and clubs were encouraged to provide feedback on the report via the on-line survey, closing on 22 December. The report's recommendations will be up for debate and approval/rejection at the BMC AGM on 16th June, 2018.

The presentation was followed by Q and A during which various issues were raised, particularly in respect of issues relevant to the BMC in Wales (see recommendation 25, on page 47 of the full report).

NB. The other issues raised are referenced in the minutes of the next meeting 30 January 2018.

No issues were explored in great depth and it was emphasised that the report was just a beginning of a long process of consultation and change in which members should become involved.

5. Access and Conservation

Set aside until the next meeting

6. National Council Update – BMC/MTE

Guy Jarvis presented a detailed paper recommending that the BMC's representation on Mountain Training England's Council be reduced from four to one. The recommendation was accepted unopposed without a vote.

7. Clubs

8. Youth

9. Hillwalking and Climbing

10. AOB

All the above agenda items were set aside until the next meeting.

11. Date of the next meeting

After the meeting the date and venue of the next meeting were confirmed as:

7.30 pm, 30 January 2018, Lodge Dinorwig.