



British Mountaineering Council SOUTHWEST AREA

Agenda

Date, Time, Type & Venue of Meeting: 23rd April 2024 6pm Social Start (With Refreshments) With A 7pm Main Meeting Start. Hybrid Meeting @ The Quay Climbing Centre, Haven Road, Exeter EX2 8AX.

Chair: Colin Knowles, Secretary: Philip Wilson

Hybrid Zoom Meeting Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89136565329?pwd=oDovGheXnswwDCMo4oXG2IQOMH7sfn.1>

INFORMAL GATHERING 6pm

1. Informal Networking Event (with refreshments).
2. How American Access / Lobbying Is Organised to Safeguard Access to Wild Places - Dave Turnbull (BMC).

FORMAL MEETING AGENDA FOR 7pm

If any items discussed at the meeting on this agenda gives rise to a conflict of interest for anyone, then please declare it at the start of the meeting.

1. Sign-Off of the previous meeting minutes held on the 27th February 2024 via Zoom (these will not be read out verbatim during this meeting. It would be helpful if participating members could read the minutes and actions and note any points for discussion prior to this meeting taking place.
2. The Current Objectives of The BMC SW Area – Colin Knowles.
3. Funding & Access Discussion About the Great Outdoors in England & Wales – Colin Knowles.
4. Actions: From The Previous Meeting (held on the 2nd Dec 2023 @ The Robins Pub Bristol).
5. Election Of Access Rep Officers:
 - a) West Penwith – James Mann.
 - b) Lundy: Paul Harrison & Simon Cardy.
6. Establishment Of Professionally Managed SW Area Bolt Fund – Ben Darby.
7. Members Council Reports – Trevor Smith.

8. Local Area Matters:

- a) Symonds Yat Rockfall (affecting walking & climbing access).
- b) Cheddar Gorge Day Road Closures.
- c) Cheddar Brainbiter Route Peg Used for Aid Request for Bolt Replacement.
- d) Avon Statement to The Downs Committee for Parking Restrictions on Behalf of SW Area Climbing & Walking Access.

9. Matters Arising Not Covered Elsewhere.

10. Any Other Business.

11. Date, Time, Type & Location of The Next SW Area Meeting.