

BRITISH MOUNTAINEERING COUNCIL

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Members' Council

Minutes of the Members' Council meeting held on Saturday 2 December 2023

In Attendance

Voting Members

Elected Councillors

Peak Area Rep, and Deputy President

South-West Area Rep

South -West area Rep (& Council Nominated Director)

North-East Area rep

Midlands Area rep

Lakes Area rep

Yorkshire Area rep

London & South-East Area rep

Nationally Elected Councillor for Rock Climbers

Sean Milner

Philip Wilson

Trevor Smith

Jonathan White

Ian Wyatt

Dave Brown

Martin Christmas

Olly Hicks-Pattison

Steve Clark

Standing Observers

Hill Waking Group

Board Chair

Pwyllgor Cymru - Wales Committee (& Council Nominated Director)

Huts Committee Chair

Peter Judd

Roger Murray

Neal Hockley

Lynsey McCauley

Also attending

Access and Conservation (Officer Policy), SMT member

Head of Sport and Community Development, SMT member

Diversity and Inclusion Manager

Catherine Flitcroft

Jon Garside

Alex West

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

Sean Milner Chaired the meeting and welcomed everyone. Apologies were received from Andy Say, Andy Syme, Dorian Thomas, Peter Salenieks, Bill Beverage, Jon Punshon, Paul Justin and Guy Jarvis.

The meeting was not quorate, but no specific votes were required.

2. Task and Finish Group

Task & Finish Group members Sean Milner and Trevor Smith provided a high-level overview of the outcome of the Council, Board and SMT survey the group had undertaken. The presentation has been uploaded to teamwork for Councillors to see.

Action: For the next stage of their work, the T&F group were asked to target underrepresented groups in their one-to-one conversations.

3. Chair's report

Roger Murray provided a summary on progress of the ongoing CEO recruitment and Director recruitment, as some Directors' terms come to an end in 2023. Roger also provided a financial report on 2023 year-end figures and timelines for agreeing the 2024 budget.

Action: Roger Murray to provide Council with a detailed financial update for 2023 figures and 2024 budget at the 19 December Council meeting. If the figures are unavailable, Andy Syme to arrange a Council meeting in the New Year as soon as the figures are available.

Action: Roger Murray to liaise with Directors Laura Needham, Martyn Hurn and CCPG Chair Paul Ratcliffe regarding wider dissemination of the feedback from the listening sessions.

Action: Jon Garside to inform Council on how many emails addresses the BMC newsletter is sent to.

Action: Jon Garside to ask the Mar Comms team to post a link on the Council teamwork project work each time the monthly update is published [afternote: action complete]

4. Postponed agenda items

Due to unavailability of members and lack of quoracy, the meeting finished earlier than planned. It was decided that Councillors time would be best used by postponing agenda items not covered to a future meeting.

Action: Sean Milner and Andy Syme to ensure agenda items not covered were moved to a future meeting.

5. Date of next meeting

December 19, 7pm, Zoom

The next full meeting vision events with be Mountaineering followed by Equity, Diversity and Inclusion.

Item	Action	Involving	Target date
4	Liaise with Helen Wilson and relevant councillors about induction for new Councillors.	Council Chair	ASAP
6	Communicate Council's support of staff.	Council Chair	ASAP
6	Training for Members' Council explore issues discussed.	Mohammed Dhalech	Next meeting opportunity
6	Speak with the CCO about communication strategy and engagement with the wider community.	Council Chair	ASAP
7	Communicate AGM vote to Board	Council Chair	ASAP
11	Statement about finances drafted for area meetings.	Board Chair	ASAP
12	Draft role description for Clubs Committee Chair shared with Board and Members' Council.	Jonathan White	ASAP

The above is accepted as an accurate record of the meeting:

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Signed _____ Date _____

Andy Syme, Chair