

CTC AGM Agenda & Minutes

CYCLISTS' TOURING CLUB

The Annual General Meeting of the Cyclists' Touring Club will be held at 2pm on Saturday 11 May 2013 at Gisborough Hall Hotel, Whitby Lane, Guisborough, TS14 6PT. To obtain admission, members must produce a valid membership card or other proof of current membership.

Gordon Seabright, Chief Executive

A full copy of the Articles of Association and Determinations in General Meeting is available on the CTC website or on request from National Office, and copies will be available at the meeting. Versions of this agenda in alternative formats are also available on request from National Office. The Proxy Voting form is circulated with the April-May edition of Cycle. Procedures for use are on the form and are available on the CTC website.

Agenda

Ordinary Business

- 1) To adopt as a true record the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in Sheffield on 12 May 2012.
- 2) To adopt the Annual Report of the Council and the audited accounts for the year ended 30 September 2012 as published on the CTC website.
- 3) To reappoint Buzzacott LLP as auditors and to authorise the Council to fix their remuneration.

Ordinary Resolutions

- 4) **Proposed by Martin Cockersole on behalf of the Council, seconded by Jim Brown.**
That, with effect from 1 October 2013 the subscription table to the determination pursuant to current Article 4.4 of the Articles of Association shall remain unchanged.
- 5) **Proposed by Colin Clarke, seconded by Ron Healey.**
That CTC seeks amendments to the Highway Code when it is next revised, to increase cyclists' protection in both civil and criminal law, including: greater priority at junctions; stronger

requirements on the need for drivers to leave space when overtaking cyclists; and changes to advice which may be used by drivers and their insurers (or others) to argue that cyclists are liable for their own injuries, eg by not wearing helmets or high visibility clothing.

Proposer's note: The motion is seeking changes to the Highway Code to improve safety and benefit cyclists. Accident compensation can be affected by the helmet advice in the Highway Code and people cycling without wearing helmet can be discriminated against compared to pedestrians or indeed motor vehicle occupants who sustain head injuries.

Council response: Council welcomes this motion. Although the Department for Transport has no immediate plans to revise the Highway Code, our Campaigns & Policy team will encourage an early revision and incorporation of the proposed amendments, which are in line with CTC strategy and policies.

6) **Proposed by Graham Smith, seconded by Richard Bates.**

That CTC will press for the UK's governments to promote better use of highway maintenance budgets and the planning process as ongoing sources of funding that would enable improvements to cycling conditions to be made consistently and cost-effectively, including the provision of cycle parking and other dedicated cycle facilities, for the benefit of all existing and would-be cycle users.

Proposer's note: This motion aims to inject a cycle-friendly purpose into the hundreds of maintenance jobs which, every day, reproduce or worsen the unfriendly conditions which predominate. Where major street reconstructions take place, which do occur on a regular pattern, it will often be possible to produce segregated and continuous facilities at minimal additional outlay. Where new buildings or developments take place the Highways focus too often is on new roundabouts etc without adequate and timely thought about NMUs (non motorised users).

Council response: Council welcomes this motion. It will strengthen the hand of CTC staff meeting with politicians and officials in national and local government, and is in line with our strategy.

Minutes of the 2012 Cyclists' Touring Club AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the Cyclists' Touring Club held on Saturday 12 May 2012 at the Hilton Hotel, Victoria Quays, Sheffield S4 7YE. With David Cox (Chair of CTC National Council) in the Chair.

Special resolutions:

1) **Proposed by B Flood on behalf of the Council, seconded by A Spurr**

This AGM agrees that the CTC Articles of Association be amended as follows:

(i) **Amend Article 1.7 so that it reads:**

The objects for which the Club is established (the 'Objects') are to:

- 1.7.1 promote community participation in healthy recreation by promoting the amateur sport of cycling, cycle touring and associated amateur sports;
- 1.7.2 preserve and protect the health and safety of the public by encouraging and facilitating cycling and the safety of cyclists;
- 1.7.3 advance education by whatever means the trustees think fit, including the provision of cycling, training and educational activities related to cycling;
- 1.7.4 promote the conservation and protection of the environment.

(ii) **Delete article 1.8 in its entirety and number the following articles accordingly.**

(iii) **Amend the current article 1.9 'the powers' to preserve powers that were previously part of the Objects and to include additional powers to provide increased flexibility by inserting the following as new articles and re-numbering the current articles accordingly:**

- 1.9.16 to promote cycling competitions, rallies, rides, cycle tours and other events both at home and abroad and to make or facilitate in the making of appropriate arrangements for such participants;
- 1.9.17 to promote and increase the appreciation of the countryside and places of public interest, to establish and protect access to such places by cycle and on foot and to preserve and improve amenities;
- 1.9.18 to educate or facilitate the education of the public in road usage, road safety and in particular the safety of cyclists, and the promotion of any plans, measures, schemes or proposals designed to that end;
- 1.9.20 to provide legal assistance for the riders of bicycles, tricycles and other similar vehicles in the enforcement of their rights to use public roads and public rights of way;
- 1.9.21 to cater for the needs of cyclists by collecting and furnishing information for the

planning and conduct of cycling tours and other events, publishing and supplying books and other forms of media, routes, guides, brochures, accommodation lists, maps, badges and emblems and by arranging for insurance and any necessary documentation;

1.9.22 to produce, print and publish anything in any media;

1.9.23 to provide or procure the provision of services, education, training, consultancy, advice, support, guidance, grants, awards or materials in kind;

1.9.24 to promote and advertise the Club activities and to seek to influence public opinion and policy and regulation implemented or proposed to be implemented by government, local authorities or other public bodies by undertaking campaigning and, to the extent permitted by law, political activities;

1.9.25 to co-operate and enter into any arrangements with any governments, authorities or any person, company or association;

(iv) The proviso contained at the end of the current article 1.9.16 be deleted as it is redundant as it is not required by the Charity Commission.

CARRIED: For 8,180 Against 646 Abstain 107

2) Proposed Martin Cockersole, seconded John Catt on behalf of the Council This AGM agrees that the CTC Articles of Association be amended as follows:

(i) The existing article 15.1 be deleted and replaced with the following: A notice, accounts or other documents may be given by the Club to any Member by publication in the Club magazine or personally or by sending it by post to his registered address or (if he has no registered address within the United Kingdom) to the address if any within the United Kingdom or to an electronic mail address supplied by him to the Club for that purpose or in accordance with the provisions for communication by website set out below. Printed copies of all notices accounts or other documents will be available to all members on request from the registered office of the Club.

(ii) Article 15.2 be deleted and replaced with the following:

Where a notice, accounts or other documents are sent by post or by electronic mail or by publication in the Club magazine, service of the notice, accounts or other documents shall be deemed to be effected by properly addressing, preparing and posting or emailing them or the document or the edition of the Club magazine in which it has been embodied and to have been effected in the case of a notice of a meeting at the expiration of 48 hours after the same shall have been posted or emailed and in any other

case the time at which the same would be delivered in the ordinary course of post or email communication.

(iii) A new article be inserted as Article 15.3 and the following articles be re-numbered accordingly:

15.3 Where a member has informed the Club in writing of his consent, or has given deemed consent in accordance with the Companies Act, to receive notices, accounts or other documents from the Club by means of a website, such information will be validly given if the Club sends that member a notification informing him that the documents forming part of the notice, the accounts or other documents, may be viewed on a specified website. The notification must provide the website address, and the place on the website where the information may be accessed and an explanation of how it may be accessed. If the information relates to a general meeting the notification must state that it concerns a notice of a general meeting and give the place, date and time of the meeting. The notice must be available on the website throughout the notice period until the end of the meeting in question.
CARRIED: For 8,329 Against 277 Abstain 325

3) Proposed Philip Benstead, seconded Eric Gill.

Remove existing paragraph 10.4 of the CTC Memorandum & Articles of Association. Replace with: 'A General Meeting shall elect from among the number of those attending a chair who shall preside at the meeting. The meeting Chair may be any CTC member except serving Members of Council. The election of the chair will be by show of hands with the person attracting the largest number of votes being appointed. In the event of a tie the Chair of Council will have a casting vote'.
MOTION NOT PASSED: For 1,567 Against 6,539 Abstain 824

Ordinary business:

4) To adopt as a true record the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in Portland on 14 May 2011.

CARRIED: For 8,415 Against 28 Abstain 485

5) To adopt the Annual Report of the Council and the audited accounts for the year ended 30 September 2011 as circulated with the April/May issue of the CTC members magazine.

CARRIED: For 8,526 Against 71 Abstain 334

6) To appoint Buzzacott LLP as auditors and to authorise the Council to fix their remuneration.

CARRIED: For 8,349 Against 105 Abstain 476

Ordinary resolutions:

7) Proposed by M Cockersole on behalf of the Council, seconded by J Catt.

That, with effect from 1 October 2012 the

subscription table to the determination pursuant to current Article 4.4 of the Articles of Association be deleted and replaced by the following: 'ORDINARY MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION effective from 1 October 2012: £41.00'.

CARRIED: For 7,076 Against 1,360 Abstain 490

8) Proposed Michael McGeever, seconded by T Cook.

(i) That CTC discounted membership rates be extended to include those who are Registered Disabled, can demonstrate conditions that create similar limited access to cycling and to the recognised carers of such members.

(ii) That CTC modify its member groups grants scheme to encourage access to cycling for those with disabilities, encouraging participating groups to claim grants which contribute to the out of pocket expenses for participation in cycle touring activities by local members affected by (i) above and their supporters.

CARRIED: For 8,372 Against 335 Abstain 281

9) Proposed Philip Benstead, seconded Eric Gill.

The Standing Orders for General Meetings be amended to include the words: 'Proxy votes where the chair of the meeting and or the Chair of Council has been authorised to use discretion shall be treated as abstentions. This policy shall be highlighted in the notice of the meeting, the agenda and on proxy voting papers'.

MOTION NOT PASSED: For 1,546 Against 6,639 Abstain 743

10) Proposed Philip Benstead, seconded Eric Gill.

The Council shall publish within 2 months of the AGM reports to members on: 'Charity Commission Registration of Cyclists Touring Club; the new CTC website project; payments between Cyclists Touring Club and CTC Charitable Trust; and the replacement of the CTC Accounting system, by posting it on the members part of the CTC website, with a notification to members in Cycle as soon as practicable'.

MOTION NOT PASSED: For 1,770 Against 6,276 Abstain 885

