Exeter CTC Annual General Meeting 17th April 2024

St Thomas Church Hall Church Road EX2 9BQ

Members attending:

Paul Ewings Ian Grundberg John Norton **Glenis Weilding** Roy Russell Mike Cherry Jannie Cherry Andy Hill Mark Pollard Ann Pollard Kirby James Penny Cockram Martin Crothall Rebecca Hoddinott Ian Holding Chris Blasdale **Roger Spurr** Marilyn Spurr Katya Romankevich Jenny Ingram Tom Ingram Di Parish Tessa Fincher Julie Weeks Peter Robinson Mike Chapman **Chris Brightman** Alex Dudgeon Pauline Gibson

1 Opening remarks from Chairman: Paul Ewings

Paul welcomed all the members attending the meeting and explained the programme for the evening. Paul also thanked everyone who had organised or helped to organise club rides

and other events during the year, with the comment that the club would not run without these efforts.

2 Apologies for absence:

David Bailey Susan Gameson Deborah Salisbury Ian Moore Dave Martin Martin Warren David Thompson Tim & Judy Green Mike Scott Richard Eales Lyndsay Kyrke-Smith Peter Draper

3 Approval of minutes of last AGM held 19th April 2023

Proposed: Glenis Weilding Seconded: Penny Cockram The minutes were approved unanimously

4 Secretary's report: Ian Grundberg

The Thursday BikeBus regularly attracts up to 25 or so riders, probably most of whom start from the Quay in Exeter, but with other members joining from various other points depending on the destination.

John Rowland has now stood down as the coordinator of the BikeBus group starting from West Hill and we thank him most sincerely for his contribution over the past years. Roy Russell has now taken on this role, while Paul Ewings has carried on as the overall coordinator of the Thursday rides.

Dave Martin has continued as the planner/coordinator of the Sunday A rides, (assisted by Maggie Hunt and Rebecca Hoddinott on the A rides from time) and Roy Russell as the coordinator for the B rides.

A new initiative this year was the introduction of monthly A-/B+ rides, being a bit further than the typical B rides, but not quite as far (or as fast) as the A rides. Several of these rides have taken place and appear to have been successful.

As the Doodle Polls program is no longer available to us, we have moved to the WhenAvailable booking system for both Thursday and Sunday rides. Although there have

been some teething issues, it is a good solution for what we need as a club, at a very reasonable cost.

Please do be sure to book on the website, even if you are making your own way there, as it helps us to let the venue know how many riders to expect.

There have been a few new and returning café destinations added over the past year, including Exmouth Cricket Club, and Plymtree Village Hall. Suggestions for new venues are always welcome. A recent addition is the Budleigh Salterton Cricket Club which has a new clubhouse with a café on higher ground above the river

Paul Norris has kindly continued to provide a lot of support for any IT-related issues, especially when there were some problems during the upgrade of the Cycling UK systems. There will be another update of the national system at some point this year, at which stage certain administrative functions will hopefully be reintegrated once more.

Richard Eales and Paul Norris also maintain our **Cafes for Cyclists** webpage, complete with an interactive map showing locations. This list is regularly updated and Richard is pleased to receive any updates or new café recommendations.

During the past year, there have also been a number of events:

Bike Maintenance, held at Dave M's house on 16 September, run by Chris Blasdale and Paul Ewings

Curry Night, 12 October:

- Chris Blasdale spoke about his trip around King Alfred's way
- Paul Ewings and Martin Warren spoke about the Microbus trip to Provence

Christmas lunch was held at the Red Lion Broadclyst on 7 December and was well attended as usual. In a break with previous years, the lunch was held on a Thursday, but this seems to have worked well.

A bring and share mulled wine event was held at Woodbury Church Hall on Sunday 17 December

The committee is still exploring options for a first aid training course and hope to be able to organise a session for later this year. Cost will be an issue, as all providers we have contacted so far have a relatively high charge per person.

5 Treasurer's report 2023/2024: Dave Martin

Once again, apologies for not being able to attend the AGM.

Hardly anything to report this year.

As you can see from the handout, an amount of £4085 was carried forward from

the previous year, the only income was the £200 grant from head office.

Total expenditure was £218 – hall hire for the AGM, curry night and the Christmas mulled wine ride, then an annual subscription to "When Available", which is the site we use for the booking of the Thursday and Sunday group rides.

Therefore, a nett spend of £18, leaving a bank balance of £4044 and £23 in petty cash.

These accounts have been audited by Glenis Weilding

I hope you enjoy the rest of the evening – look forward to seeing you soon

Best wishes Dave

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS FOR CTC EXETER PERIOD ENDING 31/03/2024

	2022/2023		2023/2024
BANK BALANCE	4044		4062
PETTY CASH	23		23
TOTAL	4067		4085
INCOME			
GRANT CTC HQ	200		200
TOTAL	200		200
EXPENDITURE			
HALL HIRE AGM	60		56
HALL HIRE CURRY NIGHT	80		64
MULLED WINE RIDE HALL AND FOOD	39		
ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION TO "WHEN AVAILABLE"	39		
HIRE OF CIRCUIT FOR BIKE HANDLING COURSE			240
DONATION TO EXETER CYCLING CAMPAIGN			500
TOTAL	218		860
SUMMARY			
INCOME	200		200
EXPENDITURE	218		860
SURPLUS	(18)		(660)
C/F 2022	4085	C/F 2021	4745
TOTAL	4067		4085

6 Approval of Treasurer's report and accounts:

Proposed: Ian Holding Seconded: Chris Blasdale The Treasurer's report and accounts were approved unanimously

7 Election of Committee and Honorary Auditor for 2024/2025

Lyndsay Kyrke-Smith stood down from the Committee in February after many years excellent service both as club secretary and committee member. The Committee has replaced Lyndsay with Rebecca Hoddinott, in line with the approval confirmed at the 2023 AGM.

Marilyn Spurr is standing down from the Committee at this AGM after many years brilliant service both as a committee member and Sunday rides coordinator. Tessa Fincher has been nominated as a replacement. Tessa is a regular Sunday B rider and this would ensure adequate group representation.

All of the other committee members are willing to stand again in their current roles. Glenis Weilding is also stepping down from the non-committee role of Honorary Auditor at this AGM. The Committee would like to thank Glenis for her efforts in this role. Richard Eales has been nominated as a replacement.

Nominations:

Committee

Chair	Paul Ewings
Secretary	lan Grundberg
Treasurer	Dave Martin
Membership Secretary	lan Grundberg
Safeguarding Officer	Ian Holding
Sunday A Rides co-ordinator	Dave Martin
Sunday B Rides co-ordinator	Roy Russell
Publicity Officer	Roy Russell
Committee Member	Martin Warren
	Tessa Fincher
	Rebecca Hoddinott
Non – Committee roles	
Bike Bus co-ordinators	Paul Ewings, Roy Russell
Honorary Auditor	Richard Eales
Website	Paul Norris, Richard Eales
Rights of Way Officer	Roy Russell

Proposed: Kirby James Seconded: Marilyn Spurr Approved unanimously

8 Any other business:

Future events

The annual Kiddical Mass ride is taking place over a 5km route on Saturday 20th April, with a start in Southernhay, Exeter at 11 am. All ages of riders are welcome.

The committee is planning other events during the year, including the following

- Bike Maintenance dates to be confirmed
- First Aid further research is needed as to suitable providers
- Curry night next autumn, date to be decided later.

The formal meeting was closed at 19.50 and was followed by talks from two invited speakers:

Liz Holloway, Principal Planning Officer from Devon County Council spoke about walking and cycling plans in the County.

Julie Weeks spoke about her solo ride through France and Spain last year.