

## Minutes of a meeting of the WNBR London Collective

Wednesday, 12 April 2023

by Zoom Videoconference

**Present:** Barbara, Cy, Dave S, Dave W, Eccentric, Graeme, Harvey, Ian, John H, Mike, Moss  
Natasha, Paul He, Pawel, Roberto, Simon Mr

**Apologies:** Dan, Joe, Sophie

(Action items in *red*)

### **Police liaison**

We have identified local police teams for each start. MO6 will be informing local areas nearer the time.

### **Parks liaison and the FOI request**

The Royal Parks' closures mean we have no plan or expectation to use HP this year. They say the set up for the British Summertime Festival was the reason for inaccessibility of the start point.

John reported back on the FOI. He asked 10 questions and they answered 5. Their internal emails included defamatory false statements and assertions about WNBR. We now have indication of why they have not been co-operative for the last two years. There seems to be a breakdown in the relationship. John suggested a conference call to clear the air. Cy pointed out that it is too late to make any difference for this year as our plans are now confirmed. We would like to have situation where can use an area next year.

**Action:** *John, Cy and Dave W to discuss and agree our response.*

### **Start locations and timing**

We have made no changes so the 2023 arrangements will be identical to last year. Dave W wants a change of wording for his return ride and will confirm timing for setting out on return ride at a later date.

**Action:** *Website, wiki and Facebook event details can be confirmed. Social media will publicise arrangements along with a mailing list mailing.*

### **Accessible start option arrangements**

Eccentric will do some more research re suitable meeting up/start point, preferably a private place with some shelter and near FMS. For now, the start location will be given as being in the area of Waterloo. If the meeting place is somewhere apart from FMS, it will be imperative to have a steward and marshals who are reliable and turn up visibly. The accessible start should be advertised to cover a wider range of concerns people may have: physical disability, neuro-divergent, or simply wanting/needing a shorter ride.

**Action:** *accessible start team (Eccentric, Moss, Dave S, Sophie, Cy, Barbara)*

### **Security personnel**

Funding for the security team was agreed. We are proposing 6 personnel working as 3 pairs covering VP from 1pm, TH and WA from 2pm then moving on to FMS, LIF and the finish until 6pm with a contingency to extend by an additional hour if required. Cy showed chart showing where they would be posted and their movements throughout the ride. We need to provide a good job description with clarity re our priorities.

**Action:** *The security team to write the brief and send to the security people.*

### **Afterparty arrangements and ticketing**

We have paid the Electrowerkz fee. It has a high capacity so we can sell effectively unlimited numbers of tickets in advance and on the door. All WNBR helpers will be offered free tickets.

**Action:** *Dave S and Cy to do ticketing strategy, create the Eventbrite event and publicise it.*

The venue would be good for music/entertainment/comedy. We might investigate some naked performers and acts. Elle may do a comedy slot again. Elisha has many contacts. We need to consider whether the ticket sales provide enough budget for this.

**Action:** *Afterparty team to consider providing entertainment.*

### **Flag-Making party**

Arrangements will be the same as last year and can be listed as an event.

### **First Aid training**

The First Aid training has been cancelled as the trainer is unwell. If anyone knows a trainer, we could find a venue. Several people have in-date valid First Aid training certificates, but we would welcome more.

### **Any other business?**

Hub needs help this year with either babysitting or being hub. Some suggestions were offered and assistance will be gratefully received!

We need to take a fresh look into how we do our real time tracking. The Life 360 app was good when we first chose it but is no longer available on browsers or big screens which makes it hard to track multiple people across a wide area.

**Action:** *Dave W, Paul He and Eccentric will investigate and test options.*

### **Meeting Dates 2023**

- Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2023, First Collective Meeting
- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2023, Planning Meeting
- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023, Planning Meeting
- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2023, Planning Meeting
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2023, Planning Meeting
- Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2023, Test Ride
- Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2023, Finalisation Meeting
- Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2023, Ride Day
- Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2023, Debrief Meeting