



THE CIVIL SERVICE MOTORING ASSOCIATION

CHESTER & WIRRAL GROUP

Minutes of the 4rd Committee Meeting of 2023 on 1st November 2023

1 Present

A Tattersall – Secretary, R Knight- Chairman, D.Knight Treasurer,
M Kench, M Hartley M Docker

2 Apologies L Sharp

3 Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes of the meeting held 6th September 2023 had been accepted via E Mail.

4 Matters Arising [not covered elsewhere]

None

5 Secretary's Report

The secretary confirmed that all the proposed talks for 2024 along with room bookings – including hiring the main hall as we had increased our numbers – had been confirmed. The suggested additional activities along with the proposed dates were agreed and AT would begin to arrange these.

AT advised that at the Networking meeting she had met with Kadie Crichton (Boundless HQ Marketing contact) and asked for a mailshot to promote our February meeting – the History of Cammell Laird's as she thought this would be of interest to local Boundless members. This had been agreed at AT would liaise with Kadie to arrange this.

In addition, a flyer to hand out at Chester Zoo would also promote the group. AT was hoping that the list of events she had produced would be turned into an appropriate document by HQ.

Arrangements for the anniversary trip to Llangollen Steam Railway were still on going. We were awaiting next years schedule to see what trains would be running. We would make further enquiries in the New Year. It was suggested that we look to having either an afternoon or cream tea on the train. This would form part of our investigations.

6 Treasurer's Report

As at date of meeting Cash £736.55 Bank £1.00 **Total £737.55**

We were still awaiting 2024 budget confirmation.

7 Christmas Arrangements

MD – Cassie, Cassie; AT – Games; Marilyn & Maisie – Singing with Guitar & Song Sheets

8 Current Rolling Social Programme

See Appendix 1 and 2024 plan attached.

9 Programme and suggested Future events

Covered above.

10 Other Meetings

AT and DK had attended the Leeds networking meeting. The main thing from the meeting was that Boundless HQ were trying numerous publicity angles not just to recruit new members but to retain them once recruited. They were keen to promote the added value that came with membership – e.g. kids pass (apparently the Cinema offer is very useful & doesn't need a child to be used), the taste card and the various free entries. There had been a rise in new members.

From AT & DK's personal point of view it was good to talk to other local groups and we seemed to be in a similar place re numbers and activities as other groups.

11 Publicity

Mailshot and Flyer covered above.

Local group web page information on Boundless website may need revamping. To be discussed at next committee meeting.

12 Any Other Business

None

13 Date of next Meeting

7th February 2024 at 1pm

Chairman thanked everyone for attending.

Secretary *A Tattersall* Date 1/11/23

Chairman *R Knight* Date 1/11/23

Appendix 1 Calendar of events

Wed 1st Nov Angela Brabin – Disasters in Court. Angela will tell us of funny things that happened during her career as a solicitor.

Wed 6th Dec Christmas Social – Fun and laughter with food as well!

2024 Plan of talks and activities

	Speaker or Activity	Contact	Cost	Notes
3 rd Jan	Notes from Nice – Alison will bring us an illustrated talk on her visit to Nice France in 2023	Me	Free	
7 th Feb	Derek Arnold The history of Cammell Lairds	djarnold39@gmail.com		Committee Meeting, AGM prep and anniversary prep
13 th Mar	AGM Meeting to begin at 1pm			
27th Mar	Cuckooland visit			
3 rd Apr	CANCELLED			School hols + 2 days post Easter
1 st May	Under the Mango tree – a UK charity that supports Timboni Primary School in rural Kenya	utmt2018@gmail.com	£50 (donation to charity)	Committee Mtg post AGM + confirm Anniversary info
5 th June	Anniversary activity – Llangollen Railway inc Cream tea - To be confirmed			AT to cancel room booking
26th June	Liverpool Airport Tour			
3 rd July	TO BE DECIDED			Poor attendance 2023 -see who can come
7th August	Gourmet Amble			
4 th Sept	Josephine Gosling – A stroll amongst sculptures	josephinegosling@gmail.com	£50	Committee Mtg – feedback anniversary plus Christmas
21st Sept (Sat)	Tour of Chester – maybe starting at 6.30 to cater for those who work.			
2 nd Oct	Mike Blackburn – Mike returns to the group to tell us about the development of his mountain garden in North Wales with lots of colourful photos	Tel 01248 680809	£75	
6 th Nov	Paul Davies – the History of the Crich Tramway	59motorman@gmail.com	£50 (donation to tramway museum)	Committee Mtg – conf Christmas arrangements
4 th Dec	Christmas Do – book hall if possible			