



## **North Birmingham Cycling Member Group**

**Minutes of Committee Meeting held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2025 at 7pm**  
At the Green House, Lichfield Road, Mere Green, Sutton Coldfield.

**Present:** Ian Standing, Julie Snook, Mike Hanson, Nick Stafford, Sue Cartwright

**1. Welcome by the Chair.**

**2. Apologies:** Received from Ros Llewellyn

**3. Minutes of the previous meeting:**  
Provided prior to the meeting.

**4. Secretary's Report:**

**Action for Sue:**

- Sue to share the updated RL and member list with Mike and the rest of the Committee members. The spreadsheet also includes details of those RLs who have access to the RL Member online training.

**5. Treasurer's Report:**

- Ian confirmed that the Club's bank balance is standing at £4,850 following the money received from the Club Audax.
- Mike has started his application with Lloyds to become a second signatory for the Club's bank alongside Ian Standing.

**6. Other Reports:**

**A Ride Reports:**

**Actions for Mike/Sue:**

- Mike to follow up and speak to ride organisers (RLs) to check whether the Cycling UK membership cards are up to date. Sue to check the club's reports/data on the Cycling UK website to check that we don't have any from the club/area whose membership has lapsed.
- All new riders must become a Cycling UK Member after 3 rides with the club if they want to continue to attend rides.

- We discussed at the meeting about re-invigorating our club rides, especially the ones on a Tuesday morning (40-50 miles, 10-12mph). Ian mentioned that not many members like to start the rides from Fox at Walmley, and the attendance is low.
- Jenny leads on the Thursday rides and attendance is good.
- The rest of the club rides, including Saturday morning rides have a good turnout.

## **B. Social Events and Holidays:**

- Julie has received 12 people to attend the Kington, Herefordshire trip in April, which is a good response.

### **Actions Julie/Mike:**

- Julie to speak to the Lee Garden restaurant about booking a buffet for the club's post-Christmas meal on 26<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm. We agreed to subsidise £10 per person for members to attend. Julie to confirm costs.
- Mike to add details of the club's post-Xmas meal to the Newsletter (issued in Nov).

## **C. Club Events:**

- Next year's Club Audax is likely to be on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2026

## **Any Other Business:**

### *Promotion of our club/rides:*

- We discussed at the meeting that it would be beneficial for the Club to start promoting our rides. Ideas included using noticeboards at coffee shops, supermarkets, and the Sutton Park visitor centre.

### **Actions for Mike/Sue:**

- Mike to put in the Newsletter to ask if members have any graphic design skills to help with producing A5 promotional flyers for the club.
- Sue to speak to the Cycling UK Membership to ask about using the system to promote rides through the membership in the local area.
- Mike to research to see what companies produce branding Cycling clothing i.e. Gilets. We discussed that the preference would be to have Gilets rather than cycling jerseys and for the club to subsidise the cost of buying for members.

### *First Aid Training*

- Sue mentioned that John Bedford had asked to raise about providing First Aid training courses for the Club Ride Leaders. There are a few RLs whose first aid certificates are due to expire early next year. Note: it is not a requirement for member groups to be First Aider to lead rides.

- Ian mentioned that he sees it has important to provide First Aid training and small first aid kits for ride leaders of the Club, especially those who lead on a regular basis. It gives them more confidence to deal with situations if any members become unwell on a ride.

**Action for Mike:**

- Mike to contact Cycling UK and ask them what training providers they use for the Midlands region. Mike to research and look at other First Aid training courses provided and costs.

*Photo book albums*

- Mike brought the two photo book albums for the Committee members to see. We discussed that it would not be worthwhile getting the photo albums digitalised but to see if there is a local library who would be interested in storing these photo albums.
- Brian L had mentioned to Sue when she last saw him that it would be good to show these albums to members at our social events. Ideas could be to show them at coffee gatherings in Dec (shown on ride list), post-Xmas Meal and AGM in the New Year. It then gives us time to find a place/home for these albums.

**7. Date, time and location of next Meeting:**

Date of the next Committee meeting confirmed for Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2026. The location will be the Green House pub in Mere Green.