



BRIDGEWATER CANAL WATCH

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Bridgewater Canal Watch Minutes

A Meeting took place on 13TH June 2023. There were six apologies and fourteen people in attendance.

The minutes of the last meeting were proposed by D. East and seconded by C. Curran. There were no matters arising from last meeting.

Chairman's Report

Chris Wareing acknowledged concerns regarding speeding dingies and the fact that more seem to be using the canal. He requested that all incidents should be reported to the police and an incident number requested. There have been reports of incidents at Runcorn, Lymm and Leigh. Also at Sale there were six people reported in one dingy which raised concerns of safety issues.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer reported that the current balance of £478.82 was still being held in a frozen Nationwide Building Society Account.

It was agreed at the last meeting that Mr Barry Greenough, Mr Ken Bromley and Mr Chris Wareing would be signatories on the new account. Barry Greenough is seeking advice as to which bank would be most suitable for this kind of account.

Secretary's Report

The Secretary reported she has been informed that the mooring rings that were fitted at Dunham Massey seemed to have been removed. This will be checked by a boater the following day but it may be that they are hidden by long grass. It was also reported to her that an owl was stranded and exhausted in Lymm recently having been caught with fishing line around it.





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Incidents

Cheshire Police

Lymm PCSO Daren Dennis gave a report of an attempted theft of a fibre glass boat moored at a bottom of garden mooring near Maltmans Road in Lymm. It was thought that it was someone on a vessel who knew what they were doing but the boat had no diesel so it was then abandoned.

GMP Police

Not present

Bridgewater Canal Company

Chris Wareing reported he had met with CRT'S enforcement team and they would be working together to combat illegal movement on the canals. They are also looking at personal camera's for their safety.

Worsley Cruising Club

Not present

Watch House CC

No report

Sale CC

Still having some problems with canoers not aware what they are doing. Also Sale members were out on a club cruise with guests on board and encountered the Grip Adventure trip boat moored at the bridge hole with canoes coming out which was causing problems for powered craft and there could have been an accident.





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Lymm CC

Reported a boat moored on Agden moorings illegally when asked to move he became very aggressive to the Lymm member. He left the mooring a little time later and moored under the bridge.

B.M.B.C.

Reported a hire boater speeding past their moorings. This was reported to the hire company who dealt with the problem and spoke with the hirers.

Any Other Reports

Nothing reported

Any Other Business

A discussion took place once again regarding the possibility of a sign being put up at the narrows that wide beam boaters should stop and check first before entering that no narrow boats were in the narrows.

Date of Next Meeting 12th September 2023 starting time 7-30pm

Phyllis Greenough

Bridgewater Canal Watch Secretary



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