

**GILLINGHAM & DISTRICT WHEELERS**  
**COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**MINUTES from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2021**

**LOCATION: Held via Google Meets**

Item	Details
1	<b>Chairman's Welcome</b>
2	<b>Apologies:</b> Apologies received – Christopher Mullett Members present – Geoff Percival, James Little, Sarah Roberts, Peter Humphreys, Mike Smith, Vince Hounsome, Marlene Little, Mark Harvey, Nick Hall Not Present – Lisa O'Shea
3	<b>Minutes of Last Meeting:</b> The minutes of the last meeting held on 30 <sup>th</sup> November 2020 were approved by the Committee.
4	<b>Treasurer's Report:</b> SR reported that currently there is £8,903 in the Club bank account.
5	<b>Membership Secretary's Report:</b> PH had sent a list of paid up members to members of the Committee ahead of the meeting and confirmed we now have 84 paid up members, including 3 new members since the last meeting, and 6 lifetime members.
6	<b>Club Rides:</b> JL reported that due to the current lockdown restrictions, all outdoor club activities are suspended for the time being. Outdoor club events will not resume until permitted by the Government and British Cycling and members are to be encouraged to ride within the current guidelines during this period.
7	<b>GDW Zwift Rides:</b> Dave Paton has taken on the mantle of organising a Saturday morning Zwift Meet Up Ride and this continues to be popular, particularly when the weather is inclement. MS reported that the Club now has two teams entered in the current WRTL Zwift League, at B and C category level. NH asked about entering a D Cat team in the next round. JL suggested signing up to the GDW Zwiftpower team where you can see who falls into which category, and take things forward from there. MS has set up a couple of group events on the RGT platform as an alternative to Zwift and will continue to offer some more events to see how much interest there may be in using the alternative platform. MS said that it is possible to host races on RGT, and JL pointed out this is now also possible under the Zwift Meet Ups feature. This may be an alternative if the Club TTs have to be postponed due to Covid.
8	<b>Change to Membership Year:</b> PH provided suggested wording for updating the Club Constitution and it was agreed to put this forward to the AGM next month for approval. MS has finalised the Sponsorship Agreement for 2021 with Wheels. The Pettitt Shields need to be removed from the Awards & Trophies Annexe as these are no longer under the control of the Club.
9	<b>2021 Competition Calendar Update:</b> CTC have postponed all Open TTs for the time being due to the Covid restrictions which includes our Open TT which was scheduled for March. The overwhelming response to the questionnaire sent to members regarding the Wednesday evening events in September was in favour of holding 6 mile Time Trials rather than Hill Climbs. MS has been liaising with British Cycling regarding the proposed dates for our circuit and road races and has made provisional bookings for the required medical support. There is a possibility of using Henstridge Airfield on a Monday evening (rather than Tuesdays) for the circuit races and VH will speak to Geoff at Henstridge Airfield to seek his confirmation, subject to any Covid restrictions. The second road race is now scheduled for 5 <sup>th</sup> September rather than the end of August.

10	<b>Annual General Meeting:</b> It was agreed that we will hold the AGM on Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 6.15 pm, using GoogleMeets. JL will email the membership this evening to notify them of the date, with the agenda to follow.
11	<b>Miscellaneous Updates:</b> JL will send out an invite for the proposed Route Planning webinar which will be on a Sunday evening in the next couple of weeks. The aim will be to cover planning a route using RidewithGPS and transferring the route to a Garmin device. MS proposes holding the annual Reliability Ride as a virtual event on the RGT platform, using the actual route of the event. He will publish more details nearer the time.
12	<b>Any Other Business:</b> None
13	<b>Date of next Meeting:</b> JL will look to arrange the next Committee meeting in March 2021, which will again be via Google Meets.