

# Minutes of Fleet Cycling Committee Meeting

Date of meeting	08 Oct 2025, 20:00 to 21:30
Venue	The Oatsheaf, Fleet
Minute taker	Andrew Perkins, Secretary & Registration Officer & Webmaster
Other Attendees	John Crossley, Chair Bryan East, Treasurer Sally Swift, Rides Secretary Lisa Chapman, Publicity Officer Malcolm Huson, Wednesday rides rep George Willoughby, Liaison Officer
Apologies	Robert Humphrey, Welfare Officer and Deputy Webmaster

**Note:** the sequence of reference numbers below is continued from meeting to meeting, to keep track of actions. Actions closed in or before this meeting are shaded in green, and will not appear in the next meeting's minutes. Items with no actionee are usually decisions or information only, and will also not appear in the next minutes.

Ref	Item	Actionee and any deadline
Items from meeting of 9 Apr 2025		
230	<b>Tri-Vets event.</b> Attendees agreed on a date of 27-July. Sally will proceed with arrangements. <i>Update 10 Oct: completed successfully, with a 100k ride and a 100 mile ride. Thanks given to Sally and leaders.</i>	Sally
231	<b>Barbeque.</b> Attendees agreed on a date of 16-August, and that we will have a bring-and-buy sale for bike-related items. Sally has hosted, with Lisa's help, for several years to date. Andrew will host this year at his house. Lisa has offered to advise and to make the home-made burgers (yes please!), and Sally will advise as requested. As we have no income from event marshalling this year, we will make a charge of £10 per head, with any left-over funds to be donated to a charity. (later agreed that we will donate to Robert Humphrey's charity ride to Paris) <i>Update 10 Oct: completed successfully. Around 40 people attended and enjoyed the occasion. Left-over funds amounted to £181.64, which were donated to Robert's ride to Paris for the Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice.</i>	Andrew, Lisa, Sally
232	<b>Writing a Fleet Cycling constitution.</b> Bryan received a request from our bank for a written constitution. In the end it was not required, but the meeting agreed it could be a good idea to have a simple one. Bryan took ownership, and George expressed an interest in being involved. Bryan/George will circulate a draft when ready. <i>Update 10 Oct: Bryan has circulated the draft. The Chair suggested it be accepted unless he receives any further comments from the Committee by 16<sup>th</sup> Oct (later note: none were received and the Chair accepted it, including the minor corrections Andrew had sent before the 10 Oct meeting). Chair will ensure it is circulated to members, e.g., through newsletter and publishing on website.</i>	John

233	<p><b>Safety on rides.</b> Andrew will review the incidents for the past year, and notify the committee of trends.  <i>Update 10 Oct: there was only one reportable incident, so no trend.</i></p>	Andrew
<b>Items from meeting of 10 Oct 2025</b>		
235	<p>Recruitment approach for committee members and other supporters: Robert sent the meeting some input from his time in Scouting, but he could not attend, so this may be continued at the next meeting. A general discussion ensued, and meanwhile, <b>Lisa</b> will include a paragraph in the next newsletter, and all committee members will keep a look out and have a think about who might be willing and able to take on roles, perhaps starting out as deputy to the current role holder.</p>	Lisa <b>and ALL</b>
236	<p>The meeting discussed agenda item 5 (<i>For leaders: preventing riders getting dropped; handling situations where a rider is so far off the pace that it is detracting from a group's enjoyment (does this happen often?); checking riders are CUK members</i>). The committee agreed to monitor the situation.  <b>Lisa</b> will add a paragraph to the next newsletters for leaders to be aware of the possibility on every ride, and try to avoid dropping riders.  <b>Sally</b> will add to ride leader guidance, and also that ride leaders should ask new riders whether they are CUK members, and ask them to fill in a guest form if not. Otherwise the ride leader's CUK insurance may be invalid, opening them up to claims if an incident occurs.</p>	Sally
237	<p>Agenda Item 6: Parking penalties at HLC: the committee agreed that no further action was required.</p>	
238	<p>Agenda item 7: Training.  <b>Sally</b> will make leaders aware of route planning resources.  <b>Lisa</b> will follow up the question of training in basic mechanics and bike handling with the member who is a British Cycling instructor.</p>	Sally Lisa
239	<p>AOB: dealing with aggressive/fast driving: key points agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shouting etc at drivers can rile them up more and cause them to be more aggressive to all riders in the group.</li> <li>• We should hold ourselves to high standards.</li> <li>• We should not ride on non-permitted paths or other routes.</li> </ul> <p><b>Lisa</b> will draft a message on the above and send to all the committee for comment.  When agreed, <b>Lisa</b> will include it in a newsletter and <b>Andrew</b> will add it to the website under something like a "Ride etiquette" section.</p>	Lisa Andrew <b>and ALL</b>
240	<p>AOB: Andrew will add to the website a reference to Ride Rushmoor as a good place for beginners to cycling.</p>	Andrew
241	<p>AOB: <b>Malcolm</b> has found a page which refers to the CUK insurance, but the link is broken. He will send the page location to <b>Andrew</b>, who will fix it and tell other committee members, <b>so they can review it.</b>  <i>Update after meeting: the dead link was on this page, which has now been fixed. All, please review it and suggest any changes:</i>  <a href="https://fleetcycling.org.uk/footer-menu/insurance">fleetcycling.org.uk/footer-menu/insurance</a></p>	Malcolm Andrew <b>and ALL</b>
242	<p>Next committee meeting will be in January 2026, probably at The Oatsheaf. <b>Andrew</b> to arrange.</p>	Andrew