

Minutes of Committee Meeting, 6th October 2025

The Red Gate Inn, Mansfield

Present:

Roy Adkins, Stephen Bramley, Julie Casey, Pete Dring, Diane Fern, Denise Garley, Martyn Gill, Sharron Hartshorn, Heather Jowett, Julie Lawson, Eileen Matthews, Robert Matthews, Vanessa McGrath, Stephen Price, Brian Tuffnell.

Apologies:

Alex Ellis, Yvonne Rek, Joy Walker.

Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting on 25th July 2025 we approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Proposed by Stephen Bramley, seconded by Denise Garley.

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the last meeting.

Officer Reports

Chair

No report received.

Finance

UNITY TRUST

Account has a balance of £655.18 as at 30/09/2025.

We have not yet paid for the Walk Leader Course room hire.

There is still funding in this account to pay for First Aid Training.

We currently receive £143.75 per quarter funding from the Ramblers Association.

NATWEST SOCIAL ACCOUNT

The balance on this Account as at 30/09/2025 was £6,229.53.

Transactions in October have not been included as these are part of the new financial year.

Please refer to the attached Summary of Activities.

Christmas Party 2024 has a credit balance of £535. We still have a balance of £82.02 on the anonymous donation from December 2023. Some of this money will be used to part-fund a future coach trip.

There is a balance of £1,887 on the Criccieth trip. This will be used to pay for quiz prizes, day trips, admissions etc.

The Clipstone Headstocks visit has been paid for since the end of year.

Martyn Gill (Treasurer)

Walk Leader Training still needs to be paid for. Awaiting invoice after second training session.

Still have money for first aid training which needs to be arranged.

Vanessa still does not have a debit card for the NatWest social account. BT & MG to chase.

Litter Pickers

We have just started back from the holiday season and unfortunately due to the weather conditions we had to cancel Friday's pick. Sharron has supplied us with more Blue Bags and promotes our Ramblers Litter Picks within the community through The Chad.

We will be having our Xmas lunch in December and looking to hopefully enrol some more support from the group at our AGM.

Membership

10 new members since the last meeting.
11 leavers (5 lapsed, 6 resigned).
163 members total plus 1 affiliate.

It was discussed whether we should send an email to leavers/lapsed members. BT to work with JC.
Vanessa raised the issue of not knowing who the new members are. BT to edit the welcome letter to include Vanessa's mobile. Is it possible for Julie to let Vanessa and Karen know the new members and possibly leavers?

Publicity

Sharron sends information to the local papers about our walks programme and the litter picks. Maybe we could write a monthly report to highlight that we are not just a walking group but have social activities too.

Social Events

Newstead Abbey Saturday 12th July 2025
Sports Day Newstead Village– Jim & Alex – 26th July 2026
16 on list so far – will send another reminder out
Filey Day Trip – Sunday 10th August full coach
Headstocks Military & Mining Museum Friday 26th September
Criccieth 22nd – 26th October 2025
Full plus waiting list
Murder Mystery Dinner Hostess 1st November 2025
24 people £39
Shrek – Palace Theatre, meal Andwhynot – 6th November
17 people
November 8th Walk Leader Training Pleasley
Christmas Party Friday 19th December Triple S /feed / Last Stand, Lance Gold
97 so far. Open to other walking groups friends and family.
Nutcracker Royal Albert Hall 29th December 2025
Blue Pigeon travel 11 booked £119.00 12 booked.
Panto Rapunzel 5th February 2026 35 tickets – one left, 26 for meal @ Andwhynot
Melrose – Scotland Holiday 22nd March to 28th March 2026
Sparkle Walk – 27th June 2026
25th Anniversary – Date – TBA
Children in need – Charity Walk November 2026 date TBA

Possible events to arrange

Bolsover Lantern – 29th November
Castleton Christmas
Escape Rooms Nottingham
Southwell Minster
Charlie & the Chocolate Factory March 2026
Theatre Royal – Priscilla Queen of the Desert Musical 28th April – 2nd May £22.50 to £57.00
Dogs Nottingham
Stags – events
Cresswell Craggs
Dropworks Rum Tour
Capo Bingo

Oxton Hall Tour
Renishaw Hall bluebells April/ June Roses
Thornbridge Hall Ashford on the water
Belton House Grantham

Vanessa McGrath

Ideas were offered for celebrating our 25th anniversary next year, including a 25 mile walk (or 25KM) and a celebration meal. Other ideas welcomed.

Walk Leaders

Brian will be hosting the next walk leader training session at Pleasley Pit on Saturday 8th November.

Ramblers Governance.

Brian explained what the impact might be if all the proposals for the change in the Ramblers governance were to be passed. At present the most controversial proposals regarding removing Areas and changing the Group structure have been dropped. The main proposal now is to change to every member having a vote on future proposals and to elect the trustees.

A.O.B

Julie mentioned the Countryfile Ramble for Children in Need. It was felt that there was too little time to arrange for us to do a sponsored walk this year and so will plan for next year.

Could we arrange with local Rambler groups to help with walks when we go away. Could we also collaborate with other local groups.

Sharron reminded everyone of Sue's memorial garden in Pleasley and that people are welcome to add plants.

Next Meeting date

12th January 2026, to be held at The Red Gate, Mansfield.

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Brian Tuffnell  
Group Secretary, Mansfield & Sherwood Group

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## Appendix 1 – NatWest Social Account Summary.

[Bankline - Login \(natwest.com\)](#)

Martyn Gill, Treasurer

| DATE       | Cheque No. | PAYEE | ACTIVITY                  | CREDITS    | DEBITS     | BALANCE   | Receipt | NOTES              |
|------------|------------|-------|---------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|---------|--------------------|
| 01/10/2024 |            |       | Activity Credit 2023-2024 |            |            | £757.46   |         | b/f from 2023-2024 |
|            |            |       | Donation Dec 23           | £1,050.00  | £967.98    | £82.02    |         |                    |
| 05/10/2024 |            |       | Devon                     | £14,680.00 | £14,699.75 | -£19.75   |         | Completed          |
| 05/10/2024 |            |       | Film                      | £153.00    | £153.00    | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 08/10/2024 |            |       | Lundy                     | £457.60    | £457.60    | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 06/11/2024 |            |       | House                     | £468.00    | £468.00    | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 06/11/2024 |            |       | Meal                      | £120.00    | £120.00    | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 13/11/2024 |            |       | Eagles                    | £261.00    | £261.00    | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 17/12/2024 |            |       | Sound Bath                | £120.00    | £120.00    | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 20/12/2024 |            |       | XMAS24 Party              | £535.00    | £0.00      | £535.00   |         |                    |
| 18/01/2025 |            |       | Stars                     | £441.00    | £441.00    | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 31/01/2025 |            |       | Panto Meal                | £95.00     | £95.00     | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 31/01/2025 |            |       | Panto                     | £324.00    | £324.00    | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 05/03/2025 |            |       | Moon                      | £546.00    | £546.00    | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 06/03/2025 |            |       | Oz                        | £210.00    | £210.00    | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 27/03/2025 |            |       | Elan                      | £5,040.00  | £5,040.00  | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 04/04/2025 |            |       | Jazz                      | £97.50     | £97.50     | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 15/04/2025 |            |       | Murder                    | £360.00    | £360.00    | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 17/04/2025 |            |       | Harlem                    | £686.28    | £688.78    | -£2.50    |         | Completed          |
| 17/05/2025 |            |       | Glass Blowing             | £160.00    | £160.00    | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 31/05/2025 |            |       | Hop                       | £446.00    | £446.00    | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 06/06/2025 |            |       | Gliding                   | £720.00    | £720.00    | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 08/06/2025 |            |       | Bempton                   | £50.00     | £50.00     | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 28/06/2025 |            |       | Bow                       | £130.00    | £130.00    | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 12/07/2025 |            |       | Newstead                  | £285.50    | £285.50    | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 10/08/2025 |            |       | Filey                     | £652.98    | £652.98    | £0.00     |         | Completed          |
| 26/09/2025 |            |       | Headstocks                | £104.00    | £0.00      | £104.00   |         |                    |
| 22/10/2025 |            |       | Wales                     | £14,068.00 | £12,181.00 | £1,887.00 |         |                    |
| 01/11/2025 |            |       | Murder mystery            | £319.00    | £250.00    | £69.00    |         |                    |
| 06/11/2025 |            |       | Shrek                     | £385.00    | £340.00    | £45.00    |         |                    |

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| 19/12/2025       |  |  | Xmas 25        | £1,125.00  | £0.00      | £1,125.00 |  |           |
| 29/12/2025       |  |  | Nutcracker     | £530.00    | £480.00    | £50.00    |  |           |
| 05/02/2026       |  |  | Panto 26       | £497.00    | £360.00    | £137.00   |  |           |
| 22/03/2026       |  |  | Melrose        | £1,750.00  | £250.00    | £1,500.00 |  |           |
|                  |  |  | Member Support | £0.00      | £39.70     | -£39.70   |  |           |
|                  |  |  | Julie Lawson   | £498.84    | £498.84    | £0.00     |  | Completed |
| BALANCE          |  |  |                | £47,365.70 | £41,893.63 | £6,229.53 |  |           |
| NAT WEST BALANCE |  |  |                |            |            | £6,229.53 |  |           |
| DISCREPANCY      |  |  |                |            |            | £0.00     |  |           |