

Minutes of the Zoom Committee meeting of the Bradford Branch of NARPO held on Thursday 19th May 2022.

The following members were present : Michael Tyne, Alan Pickles, Peter and Hazel Jarvis ,David Drucquer, Margaret and Malcolm Gray, Jayne Slade, Geraldine Tolan , Roy Leach and David Wright.

The meeting was opened by the Chairman Michael Tyne at 7.04pm.

Apologies had been received from Melvyn Hyde, Beatrice Hopwood and Geoff Shores.

- **The minutes** of the previous meeting held on the 7th April 2022 had been circulated to everyone and were accepted as a true record on the proposition of David Drucquer which was seconded by Mailcolm Gray .
- **Matters arising** – There were no matters arising
- **Social Secretary Update** : Jayne reported that 39 seats had been booked for the Bridlington Trip. All except 5 were requiring a fish and chip lunch. The Secretary will send out a further message early next week to give the event a final push. Jayne highlighted a possible future problem where fewer people are possessing cheque books and this could require looking at for future payments for events.
- **Social Update re Golf Clubs enquiries.** Geraldine reported that she had spoken with the steward at Northcliffe Golf Club re the Ladies Luncheon Club.. The cost of the meal would be £18, but everyone would have to have the same meal, which was not a satisfactory situation. It is two years due to covid since they went to the Midland Hotel where the main problem there appeared to be staff shortages, and delays in service. Geraldine will make contact with the Midland and enquire from them re their current prices and menus. The committee agreed that Geraldine should make further enquiries and decide herself which is the better venue to select. Jayne said that she had been to Northcliffe golf club and whereas the venue was ideal and the food appeared excellent, the problem was that the maximum they could accommodate would be 60, and if we were to use them, we would have to limit the numbers and may have to refuse some members if it became oversubscribed, and she would be unhappy having to do that. After a two year lay off re socials, we may find that we have a sudden additional influx of members looking to get out to social events. It was highlighted by Jayne her thanks to Leslie Scaife for his involvement in arranging her visit and all of is help. It was then decided that we would remain at the Bradford and Bingley Rugby Club for the foreseeable future for our social events and Jayne was pencilling in Thursday 22nd September for our next event. She will liaise with Melvyn re the booking of the room.
- **West Yorkshire Group meeting.** The Chairman reported that himself, David Wright and Bea Hopwood had recently been to a group meeting at Wakefield where the Chief Constable John Robbins had been invited to speak for half an hour on the situation re current policing matters, after which he would take question. He was very forthright re current policing and recruiting situations. The Chairman gave a very full breakdown of all the Chief Constable spoke about, and the questions which he candidly answered. Our Narpo president, Richard Critchley then spoke re his views of where he would like Narpo to be heading in the future.
- **Regional Meeting Ballot-21st May** - This was brought forward from the last meeting where the former Secretary of the Leeds Branch John Birkenshaw, was standing for election to the NEC. Against the current occupant Bob Watson, who in the eyes of our Chairman and Secretary had

done a very good job on behalf of the Region. It was decided that the decision of who to vote for on the day would be left to the Chairman after he had each of their addresses.

- **Web site Update.** Peter said that there had been six enquiries about the website after the Newsletter went out.
- **Welfare Officers Report** Bea had been in touch with Dave Cox and Geoff Shores re health matters
- **Any other business** The Secretary mentioned a report that he had seen on the WYPOL site where someone had reported that Gordon Ramsbottom had recently had a mild stroke and his memory and speech was not very good. The Secretary said that he had previously spoken with Gordon and he would make contact with him.
- The meeting was closed at 8.28pm
- The next zoom committee meeting will be on Thursday 30th June 2022 at 7.00pm.

David Wright

Secretary