

HYDE PARK HARRIERS

COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

SUNDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2025 AT 4PM

HYDE CAFÉ

1 Attendance

Present:		
Toby Adkins	TA	Chair
Grace Roberts	GR	Club Secretary
Ed Shakespeare	ES	Committee member
Ellie Williams	EW	Committee member
Lucy Bonnett	LB	Committee member
Will Dow	WD	Committee member
Sam Hadfield	SH	Social Media and Communications Lead
Clare Evans	CE	Membership Secretary
Euan Douglas	ED	Club Treasurer
Richard Garratt	RG	Committee member
Amy Ramsden-Young (present until point 10)	AR-Y	President
Honor Baldry (present from 10.2.3 onwards)	HB	Coaching and Development Lead
Apologies:		
Bethany Chambers	BC	Committee member
Sharon Nahal	SN	Committee member

2 Previous Minutes

- 2.1 Nothing to be redacted
- 2.2 **Action point – GR** to clarify Early Bird Pricing before uploading minutes.

3 Finance

- 3.1 ED reported the club balance is very healthy:
 - 3.1.1 Mostly due to summer mile income.
 - 3.1.2 Major outcomes this year were: LiRF/CiRF courses, AGM and awards evening.
 - 3.1.3 Major incomes this year were: Summer Mile, VoY volunteering, club kit, membership.
- 3.2 Christmas party – ED noted the club is spending less this year compared to last year on the Christmas party:
 - 3.2.1 The cost of the 2025 event is £15.95pp, club asking for £15pp contribution.

3.2.2 Whereas last year, there was about £400 discrepancy – likely due to the last minute change of food order.

3.2.3 It was decided the club would fund a drink per person. **Action point – TA** to contact PS to arrange.

3.3 Names on bank account mandate – no updates from KK since last meeting. **ACTION POINT – ED to contact KK.**

3.4 A new bag for the club gazebo is needed, member AA to order, reimbursed by club.

3.5 ED confirmed EvenSplits have paid for PECO organising

4 Membership

4.1 CE confirmed we currently have 265 1st claim members, very similar to last year's numbers.

4.2 The club will be offering extended membership in January (15 month membership).

4.3 London marathon ballot – DR confirmed entry. No news from BC, but has until 16th Dec to arrange.

4.4 CE reported that the latest T shirt order has arrived, with an invoice in the club inbox that needs paying.

5 Club Standards

5.1 GR raised the EA club membership experience survey. It was sent to individual members, so it was decided there was no need for the club to promote.

5.2 AR-Y raised that her and CE have arranged a meeting with EA in 2 weeks. Aiming to raise price increases etc.

6 PECO

6.1 The club would like to thank the organises of Middleton PECO and all who volunteered for holding another successful job.

6.2 It was noted that the PECO captains are doing a good job, with over 100 signups thus far, and good turnout at the first race.

6.3 A question was raised about payment to the club over leading the organising of Middleton whether this is split evenly with co-organises, or the lead get majority share.

6.3.1 **Action point – ES** to check minutes from PECO AGM, **ED** to check payments from previous years.

6.3.2 A points to raise at the next PECO AGM – discuss whether we will be alternating lead hosting each year, or to volunteer to lead organise every year and receive 2/3rds of the money.

7 Club Competitions/Championships

7.1 CE reported championships all updated:

7.1.1 It was noted that parkrun champs has a lower turnout than normal.

7.1.2 And a significant number of Abbey Dashes didn't have the club attached (presumably through free entry with RFU for volunteering). CE has asked people to check their result and email if HPH is missing from their entry.

7.2 CE looking into races for next year. **Action point – all** to think about races to include/avoid. TA suggested putting out polls or ask for input from the membership in the new year.

7.2.1 ES raised the Yorkshire 3 Peaks race is now sold out with no women signed up – suggested choosing a different race next year due to logistics.

8 HPH 20th Anniversary

8.1 TA reported a meeting yesterday with members interested in organising with NA, AA & PS. Some other members showed interest but were unavailable for this specific meeting.

8.2 TA has put a folder & document on the Google drive with current suggestions for the year:

8.2.1 Time capsule already in place – TA plans to put QR codes on tables at the Christmas party. **Action point – all committee to put in an entry.** Plans to post 1 entry per week over next year.

8.2.2 Starting on Jan 1st will be the year-long relay – TA will sort instructions & logistics. The idea is to have a baton to pass from person to person within the club.

8.2.3 Celebratory dinner – combined with the awards evening, around late spring/early summer. Current plans are to ask members for contributions for attendance with the club subsidising the cost.

8.2.4 Merchandise– plans are in place to design a 20th anniversary logo. The committee intend to reimburse whoever designs the logo or offer free attendance to the awards dinner. The logo will be used for communications, merchandise etc. The membership will be consulted on what merchandise they want

8.2.5 In the anniversary events meeting, KJ suggested the need for some family friendly events – thoughts are to combine with sports day/track day. Other suggestions included a Christmas tree run around campus.

8.2.6 TT is also planning on doing a HPH-focussed LURGY in 2026.

8.2.7 Another suggestion was a club Ceilidh – it was raised that one had been arranged in previous years but with poor attendance (possibly due to pandemic). EW suggested planning to go to an existing event (with contact organises in advance) and communicate this to members.

9 Summer Mile

9.1 AR-Y reported that HL has joined SM committee.

9.2 A discussion over medal options (to increase sustainability) is currently ongoing.

10 Welfare

- 10.1 The welfare team reported meeting in November.
- 10.2 The results of LR's run and talk survey are now available:
 - 10.2.1 People reported not knowing how far R&T is. It was suggested that Lucy could write a blog to clarify this.
 - 10.2.2 Many runners reported not wanting to disrupt training (e.g. preferring a Tues set pace & distance).
 - 10.2.3 Members reported enjoy the socials
 - 10.2.4 Some members have offered to help out with run and talk. LR to follow up with these members.
- 10.3 CE attended an EA forum for welfare officers to sharing best practice & experience. She reported back that:
 - 10.3.1 Many other clubs have a designated male, and a female welfare officer.
 - 10.3.2 The impact of social events were noted – though many clubs present had their own venue.
 - 10.3.3 Other clubs appear very pro-active in reaching out to injured members. Perhaps easier for smaller clubs. **Action point – all** to think about how we could approach doing this?
- 10.4 CE reported no emails in the welfare inbox.
- 10.5 LR in progress with the EA welfare training
- 10.6 TA raised making a 'lessons learnt' log to ensure we are capturing welfare issues and seeing if there are any systemic/long term issues (ensuring anonymity). **Action point – CE to make.**

11 Sessions and Coaching

- 11.1 HB reported on Thursday night sessions:
 - 11.1.1 New approach of non-track interval sessions around the acre at Headingley has seen numbers increased and are logically easier to run. No current issues with Beckett Security.
 - 11.1.2 HB to survey members to see if this is working for them and see what they would like from Thurs sessions.
 - 11.1.3 Noted that Beckett is useful due to parking & access to toilets (not available at West Park for example).
 - 11.1.4 Members reported enjoying these sessions.
 - 11.1.5 Also noted that the acre is less affected by ice than the track, and Beckett are poor at communication when the track is icy.

11.2 LiRF and CiRF applications progress:

11.2.1 HB to investigate next year plans

11.2.2 Action point: HB to assess interest from the club, ED to report budget availability

11.2.3 The club need to communicate the benefits of LiRF/CiRF to members – e.g. need to be insured to lead on track (need sign-in etc), extra discounts, good to put on the CV etc.

11.3 Last sessions of the year were decided:

11.3.1 Last Tues session: 16th Dec.

11.3.2 Last Thurs session (Kirkstall hills): 18th Dec

11.3.3 Sunday 21st for Roundhay Rudolph

11.3.4 The club will then take 2 weeks' break, starting again on Tues 6th Jan. (It was noted that this is after PECO on the 4th Jan).

12 Social Events

12.1 Bonfire Night quiz and marathon ballot was a great success. The committee would like to thank ES and HL for planning & delivering a great event. TA suggested doing this regularly each year on Bonfire Night.

12.2 TA is arranging a Roundhay Rudolph run with coffee after.

12.3 Christmas party – currently over 50 signed up. TA to do more promotion this week. TA & GR to sort quiz/activity and QR codes for the 20th anniversary time capsule.

12.4 Club trip 2026 – tickets on sale in Dec - midday Amsterdam time. TA did contact race organises to get bulk admission, but the only option was a package so decided to have members arrange their own entries.

12.5 Ilkley fell running book launch at Hyde Park Book club in Jan – perhaps with a run afterwards. TA to promote closer to the time. **Action point – GR to put in comms planner.**

13 Volunteering

13.1 January WHM takeover – awaiting new parkrun RD rota to decide the date. Suggested 17th Jan to avoid other club races/events.

14 Communications

14.1 Reminder for all committee to post on social media.

14.2 Email roundup over Christmas:

14.2.1 TA to do Christmas email on Mon 22nd, and newsletter on 29th with key dates for 2026.

14.2.2 Normal rota resumes from 5th Jan.

15 Any Other Business

- 15.1 Campus track update – GR updated provisional plans and progress updates. Future plans are to share the route in Jan and organise sessions with the club to test the proposed route.
- 15.2 AGM date was decided to be Tues 5th May provisionally.
- 15.3 An issue was raised about seeing people's names in the Leaders WhatsApp group (often you can see the phone number but not the same). May need to start policy where people should state their name when they volunteer to lead. TA to also to repeatedly pin the spreadsheet.

16 Future Meetings

- 16.1 GR to poll committee via WhatsApp group for January.