

## ITEMS DISCUSSED AT THE JULY 2010 COMMITTEE MEETING

### The Website

The new website is now on line and there have been many favourable comments. A meeting of the web subgroup is planned for August to discuss any possible changes.

### Publicity

There are more members of the group in north Bristol than south Bristol. Possible ways of publicising the group in this area were considered. These included a stall at Victoria Park Fair in September, a display in Bedminster library foyer and an article in the South Bristol Pigeon. Peter suggested that it may be more effective to recruit new members in South Bristol by setting up a new group for that area. The committee decided to take no special steps to recruit in south Bristol.

### Shortage of Funds

There is a shortage of funds at central office of the Ramblers. It is likely that we will receive only about £2 / capita next year from central office. Fortunately we have some reserves of money from sales of the Bristol Backs book. However ways of reducing costs were discussed. These included:

- i) No longer produce the Boot. Put news items on the website and in the programme.
- ii) Encourage more people to take up electronic mailing
- iii) Hand deliver to some addresses.
- iv) Reduce the frequency of producing the program to three per year. This would only be useful if the Area News was also produced at the same frequency. The idea will be discussed with Avon area.
- v) Only drinks and nibbles will be provided at the AGM.
- vi) The annual report and minutes of the 2009 AGM will be put on the website prior to the 2010 AGM and printed copies will not be produced.

### Walks Coordinators

Nick Wilkes has resigned as coordinator for Sunday afternoon walks and Clive Richardson is keen to resign as coordinator of Sunday B walks.

### Rohan Discount Evening

Rohan have asked if the Bristol Ramblers would be interested in having a discount Ramblers' evening in October at their Queens Rd branch. Peter will progress this.

### Oswald Bailey Discount Vouchers

Oswald Bailey have offered 20% discount vouchers to Bristol Group members. Carew will follow this up.

### Local Planning Issues

Susan gave details of the proposals for the Bristol Rapid Transit system and the Local Transport Plan. She is writing an article about these to go on the website.