



IMC Committee meeting

- Date:** Thursday, 21 February 2019
- Location:** Dublin Climbing Centre (DCC), Unit 3, The Square Industrial Complex, Belgard Square East, Dublin 24, D24 P5KE
- Present:**
- Chairperson: Peter Wood (PW)
 - Hut Warden: Ed Hick (EH)
 - Meets Secretary: Derek Hendrick (DH)
 - Membership Officer: Petra Tolarova (PT)
 - Secretary: Matthew Sammon (MS)
 - President: Cillian Russell (CR)
 - Training Officer: Andy Minshull (AM)
 - Treasurer: Sé O'Hanlon (SOH)
Áine O'Reilly (AOR)
Darragh Doolan (DD)
- Apologies:**
- Archivist: Jane Irvine (JI)
 - Publicity Officer: Harry McGee (HMG)

Minutes

Item	Action/Decision/Description	Who
1	<u>Minutes of the Committee meeting on Monday, 14 January 2019</u>	
	Approved with edits.	
2	<u>Matters arising from previous minutes</u>	
	Detailed below in items 3-15.	
3	<u>Purchase of a new projector</u>	
	Actions:	
	Contact Club member who has lent his projector to the Club, to find out the model.	AOR DH

4 Approval of payments for work carried out at Hut

Approval was given for payments for work carried out at the Hut, which were summarised at the January Committee meeting.

5 Revamp the “Guide for new members”

Actions:

Revamp the “Guide for new members” that was published in print years ago. HMG

6 Clarify on website, the meets that reoccur annually

Done

7 Co-opting of members to the Committee in non-Officer positions

Actions:

Eugene S. to be co-opted onto Committee. CR

8 Allocation of bequest money between Club and Hut accounts

Bequest money was allocated 50% to Club account and 50% to Hut account.

9 New bank account to be set up

Not yet done.

10 Payment of fees for Bank of Ireland Business On Line

Approval was given for payment of fees for use Bank of Ireland Business On Line.

11 Finance Sub-Committee: setup

Noel Caffrey has not yet been invited to the Finance Sub-Committee.

12 Finance Sub-Committee: research into policy completion

Not completed yet.

13 Archival Sub-Committee: setup

No update.

14 Training Sub-Committee: setup

In progress.

15 Other long-term plans: Hut asset inventory creation

In progress.

16 Correspondence received

The Committee regrets receiving the resignation of Jane Irvine as Archivist.

Email from Bullock Harbour Preservation Association about Bulloch Harbour News. No action needed.

Email from Bullock Harbour Preservation Association about the DLRCC Public Participation Network in relation to the Harbour.

Actions:

Register the IMC at:

<https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/community/public-participation-network-ppn> PW

17 Motion: That the Committee Info section of the website be made viewable by all members.

Motion defeated.

18 Should we introduce rules for meets advertised in Calendar?

Actions

Organisers of meets that:

- never occur OR
- are cancelled without sufficient notice OR
- have no itineraries...

...should be asked if they need assistance with their planning of meets.

DH

19 Website problems

Persistent website performance/login issues are not resolved efficiently/satisfactorily by the website hosting company.

Actions:

Alternative website solutions to be researched.

AM
DD
MS

20 Replacement for GroupSpaces needed

Due to technical issue on GS website, we can't update our card details and so are unable to pay GS. Our services with GS have consequently been downgraded. It's not possible to contact GS. Many other customers have the same issue.

Actions:

Alternative online membership register solutions to be researched. AM
DD
MS

21 PayPal account

Actions:

Membership Officer will test PayPal transfers to Treasurer. PT

22 Hut Warden update

Most of the update was detailed in the appended report.

There was also discussion about naming the Hut in honour of a deceased member, or alternatively to plant a tree in honour of the same member. The consensus was that the Hut, like meets, should not be named after deceased members.

The septic tank will be left as is for the moment, but in the long term, the Club will look into alternatives.

Actions:

1000 litre water tank to be obtained. EH

Another Hut improvement day needed for 8-10 people with shovels. EH

Simplify heating system with a "booster" system that can't be left permanently on. EH

Obtain LED bulbs. EH

Research "Green Hut policy" to present to AGM. EH

23 Meets Secretary update

There is the potential for the Burren meet to be an open meet to be held jointly with Mountaineering Ireland, for adults only, in September.

There is the potential for a talk delivered by a prominent female Irish climber. Approval was given for this to be a paid-in talk. This could be organised using EventBrite.

Actions

If female climber event goes ahead, then it could be promoted by Mountaineering Ireland and our Publicity Officer. HMG

24 Membership Officer update

We have slightly over 240 members at the moment.

Actions:

Analysis of dropped-out members will be carried out. PT

25 Publicity Officer update

The Publicity Officer did not attend.

26 Secretary update

No update not already covered above.

27 Training Officer update

New members with no lead climbing experience will be encouraged to go elsewhere first, rather than signing up for the “Intro to Trad” course.

Enough people have signed up for SPA assessment, which will take place in March on Cruit.

Actions

GS email dump will be used to determine if people want to be trained to climb at higher grade than HVS: an “improvers” course, which Paul Swail may teach in May.

AM

Mountaineering Ireland’s Training Officer will be asked about providing a trad climbing course that is not aimed at group instructors.

AM

Dates for new members’ training meets are to be chosen.

AM

28 Treasurer update

Detailed in appended report.

29 AOR update

Actions:

Will create a concrete proposal for using climbing to improve mental health. AOR

30 DD update

Can help with analysis of GS replacement and website issues.

31 Technical Sub-Committee

Actions:

Send reply by post to the member concerned with “third-party electronic platforms” asking the member for evidence of “data harvesting” by GS. MS
PW

Technical Sub-Committee to investigate continued Hut mailbox issues: capacity issues and multiple user access issues. PT
PW

Investigate Ireland-based alternatives to GS, due to payment issues, which are having knock-on effects on ability to send email. AM
DD
MS

Investigate if Newsletter can be supplied to members as part of their paid member’s subscription. PT
PW

32 Archival Sub-Committee

Actions:

Contact Cearbhall D. about what has been archived. SOH

Contact Donal about scanning archives. SOH

Investigate how digital material can be archived. Refer to work done by Bénédicte. DD
HMG

Propose a new Archivist. DD
HMG

33 Other long-term plans

Paddy O’Leary was nominated for Honorary membership.

Actions:

Survey members to see which is preferred: traditional AGM format on Teachers’ Club or alternative format near the Hut as part of a weekend of activities. AM

Date of AGM to be determined following location survey of members, All
but possibly in 2nd week of November.

Consider potential replacements for current Meets Secretary and All
Membership Officer, who will retire at 2019 AGM.

Introduction to Trad to be discussed at the next Committee meeting, MS
so provide a range of dates for that meeting that suit Training Officer.

Update Training webpages with 2019 info. AM

34 Any other business (AOB)

Actions:

Alter Membership webpages for new members to remove mention of MS
using GS for payments.

Next Committee meeting in ~6 weeks in AW or DCC on a Thu or Fri to MS
suit Training Officer.

Chair:

Date:

Absence Log, 2019

Meetings → Who ↓	14 Jan	21 Feb	2
AM	A		1
AOR			
DD			
DH	A		1
EH			
HMG		A	1
JI	A	A	2
MS			
PT			
PW			
SOH			
11	3	2	Total