

The Penguin Peloton

Committee Meeting 30 June 2025 (on Zoom)

Attendees

Charlie Beardmore, Graham Bevan, Lutz Hostert, Pete Davis

Apologies

Trevor Kelly, Noah Beetge, Nick Gibbins

The President welcomed everyone to the meeting

Matters arising from the 2025 AGM

Nil

Finance

As briefed at the AGM and endorsed by the AGM

Guys to Guys (23-26 May 2025)

The ride was very successful. There were no serious injuries and the fundraising target was exceeded. The report of the ride is shortly to be posted on the TPP website along with a video put together by Paul Gillam.

There were a number of Lessons Identified including:

- Cyclists were generally fitter and better prepared than the previous year
- The route planning was outstanding
- The support crew were outstanding
- Food stops were generally better organised than the previous year much of which was due to Rowan White's planning
- Ferry bookings were again troublesome mainly due to participants failing to respond to requests for information (such as passport details and DOB) in a timely manner
- Cyclists should wear TPP cycling jerseys (which they have purchased) during the ride. These are an excellent way of advertising both the Penguin Peloton and, more importantly, the Penguins Against Cancer (PAC) charity which it supports. This in turn attracts a number of spontaneous donations to PAC during the ride. The jerseys can be washed nightly, and will dry if hung up, ready for the next day.

Next Year's event

Following significant discussion the following was agreed for next year:

- **Duration and Dates: A 4 day trip Fri 1 to Mon 4 May 26**
- **Agreement could not be reached on the destination so 2 options will be further explored (by Graham Bevan and Pete Davis) before they make recommendations to a further committee meeting scheduled for Mon 7 Jul 25 (Lutz Hostert to send out a calling notice and Zoom link).
The 2 Options were:**
 - **Meet at Portsmouth evening of Thu 30 Apr 26 overnight ferry to France. 3 days in France, Return to Guys on Mon 4 May 26.**
 - **Cycle from Guys to the West Country and back from 1 to 4 May 26**

AOB

Nil

Afternote: There is room for a further person on TPP Committee. Charlie Beardmore to approach George Tsolakides, as Chief Fundraiser, to gauge his interest in joining

DONM

7 Jul 25 2000

7 Jul 25 Meeting (Zoom)

Attendees:

Lutz Hostert, Trevor Kelly, Graham Bevan, Noah Beetge, Nick Gibbins, Charlie Beardmore

Apologies for absence: Pete Davis (message received via phonecall)

Detailed discussion took place regarding the options of a trip to France versus one to the West Country and Wales. The committee agreed (supported by Pete Davis) to sanction a trip to Wales and the West Country from 1 to 4 May 26. This will potentially include: Windsor, Chilterns, Cotswolds, Black Mountains, Forest of Dean, Vale of Pewsey and Guys Hospital. Further detail to be confirmed in due course.

**Lutz Hostert
TPP Secretary**

**Charlie Beardmore
TPP President**