

Minutes of the Council meeting via Zoom on Sunday, 18 October 2020

Present: Anne Brenchley, Mick Green, Keith Noble, Giles Pepler, Rhion Pritchard, Dan Rouse, Jez Smith, Ian Spence.

Apologies for absence: None.

20.43.1	<p>Minutes of last meeting</p> <p>Only one speaker responded to DR's email about help recording a talk.</p> <p>GP had contacted Yellow Fly and Glynne had contacted DR. However, DR had not received one talk, so it was not possible to test the system.</p> <p>KN had revised the programme following our discussions.</p>	
20.44	<p>Virtual conference 2020</p> <p>There was discussion about the lack of response sfrom speakers and why that may have been. It was agreed that the conference should be postponed until the New Year. Postponement would allow more time for sharing the workload, contacting speakers personally and having a dummy run of the conference to test the systems needed.</p>	
	<p>To rearrange the conference for Saturday, 23 January 2021.</p>	All
	<p>To contact Iolo Williams to check if he will be available, in person, on that date.</p>	GP
	<p>To send out a reminder on Twitter about the Survey Monkey voting sheet.</p>	JS
	<p>To revise pages on the website after the end of the sponsorship period, ie the end of October.</p>	GP
	<p>The winner of the Derek Moore Student Award has been informed and will receive the money in the near future.</p> <p>It was agreed to consider making the open season for applications for small conservation grants from November to the end of the following February.</p> <p>The next meeting was agreed to be, as arranged earlier, at 09.30 on Saturday, 21 November 2020 via Zoom.</p> <p>MG thanked the editors of <i>The Birds of Wales</i> for all their efforts. He thanked RP for the latest issue of <i>Birds in Wales</i> and expressed hope for another batch of interesting papers.</p> <p>It was agreed that we will hold a social Zoom meeting as the handover meeting from the current Council members to the new, at 19.30 on Saturday, 7 November 2020.</p>	
	Ian M Spence, 20 October 2020	