

Ibex Committee Meeting Minutes - 19 August 2026, at Flat 10, No.1 Millennium Sq, London, SE1 2PW

Attendees: David W, Clive S, Phinella H, June T, Patrick T, Peter R

Apologies: Mags R, Cathy C

Actions from last committee meeting:

- **PR:** to provide DW with a list of key dates for planning for the AGM. *Done*
- **DW:** to ask SW to run the photo competition at the September Club Night *Done*
- **MR:** to present the 2027 programme at the October Club Night *Action to come*
- **CS:** to do a presentation on Alps trip at the November Club Night *Action to come*
- **JT:** to continue to work on the membership survey *Work continuing*
- **CS:** to try to get more bookings for the Elan Valley weekend (17-19 July) *Some more bookings obtained, and good weekend, though it made a loss*
- **CS:** to put the remaining weekends on Facebook as an event. *Done*
- **MR:** to correct the 2027 spreadsheet, reinstating the formulae *PR to check with MR if this had been done. Also, MR to check the permissions on the 2027 spreadsheet, to ensure all committee members can see it.*
- **CS MR:** to produce a recommended process for the communication links between the Treasurer, Weekend Planner and Weekend Co-ordinator *Done (covered under w/e co-ordinator below)*
- **All committee members:** to check they were clear on their responsibilities or whether there was any overlap with someone else's. *Done. Agreed that all committee members would also check that handover notes were prepared*
- **CS:** to consider the current guidance for walks leaders for weekends on good practice including dealing with potential hazards, and whether more was needed. *Not yet done - action to come*

President

- Minutes of 23 June committee meeting agreed. DW would put on website.
- On planning for AGM:
 - there would be a committee resolution on subscription levels, once decided. As input to the decision, JT would check with BMC whether they were

raising their fees. **ACTION JT**

- JT would provide DW with figures for the number of prospective members at the last AGM, and the number of these that had been converted into members **ACTION JT**
- PR would ask MR if there was a case for a resolution to increase the £40pppn cap, in view of the rising costs of accommodation **ACTION PR**
- PR would email Ibex members by the end of August, notifying them of the AGM and inviting member resolutions or committee nominations, while for the latter noting that we had volunteers for all committee posts apart from President. **ACTION PR**
- All committee members would prepare a short report on their responsibility **ACTION All**
- All committee members would sign up for the AGM on the website **ACTION All**

Club nights

- September - photo competition. **ACTION SW**
- October - 2027 programme **ACTION MR**
- November - Alps trip **ACTION CS**
- December - Yvonne on Norway
- January and March would need to be arranged. For February, DW and SW would do a presentation on their Annapurna trip

Treasurer/Financial Position of Club

- **PT:** report provided. The Club currently had an unusually high cash balance, partly because as yet few bookings had been made for 2027. JT would speak to MR about this.
- In discussion of Ibex's status it was noted that Ibex is an unincorporated club, not a charity. There is no requirement to report our accounts to any central body.

Website/Social media

- **DW:** Report provided. Among other things, updates made to the website to keep it current.

Membership

- **JT:** report provided. We now had 72 members
- JT had produced a draft of the membership survey for testing and was continuing to work on it. **ACTION JT**
- It would be of interest to know how many members were actively involved in the Club. DW had a spreadsheet showing attendees at weekends which he would send to JT. **ACTION DW.** This would not though show attendance on day walks or club nights.

Weekend Co-ordinator - 2026

- **CS:** Report provided. Among other things, all weekends had organisers

- CS and MR had reviewed the process for communication links between the Treasurer, Weekend Planner and Weekend Co-ordinator on accommodation balance payments, and recommended that in future this be handled by just the Treasurer and Weekend Planner. This change was agreed.
- CS and DW had made some amendments to the weekend expenses sheet, which would be used from September.

Weekend Planner - 2027

- **MR** to check the permissions on the 2027 spreadsheet, to ensure all committee members can see it (as above)

Day Walks

- **CC** Report provided

Newsletter

- **PH**: report provided. No further update.

AOB

- The question had been raised as to whether adjustments to procedures could be made for a member who was not competent in IT. It was considered that this would not be possible: the level of IT competence required for Ibex procedures was not high.
- CS raised the question as to whether signs for weekend venues were still needed. It was considered that they were, particularly where people arrived by car at a venue late at night, and where there were a number of buildings within the venue
- Many thanks to PT for hosting the committee meeting.

Date of next committee meeting

- Wednesday 23 September, 6.30pm, at JT's - Flat 4A, Constantine Road, NW3 2NG

Summary of actions following meeting

- **SW**: to run the photo competition at the September Club Night
- **MR**: to present the 2027 programme at the October Club Night
- **CS**: to do a presentation on Alps trip at the November Club Night
- **PR**: to check with MR whether the 2027 spreadsheet had been corrected, reinstating the formulae.

- **MR:** to check the permissions on the 2027 spreadsheet, to ensure all committee members can see it.
- **All committee members:** to check that handover notes were prepared
- **CS:** to consider the current guidance for walks leaders for weekends on good practice including dealing with potential hazards, and whether more was needed.
- **JT:** to check with BMC whether they were raising their fees.
- **JT:** to provide DW with the number of prospective members at the last AGM, and the number of these that had been converted into members
- **PR:** to ask MR if there was a case for a resolution to increase the £40pppn cap.
- **PR:** to email Ibex members by the end of August, notifying them of the AGM
- **All committee members:** to prepare a short report on their responsibility, for AGM
- **All committee members:** to sign up for the AGM on the website
- **JT:** to continue and complete work on the membership survey
- **DW:** to send to JT the spreadsheet showing attendees at weekends.