

COUNCIL OF NORTHERN CAVING CLUBS

British Caving Association

Final Approved Minutes of Annual General Meeting 5th March 2016 Hellifield Institute, Hellifield

Attendees in order of signature on attendance sheets:

Name	Club	CNCC officer/co-opted role?	Voting?
Pete Allwright	Dent House SS		Yes
Dan Irving	Over and Under CC	Training Officer	Yes
Kelvin M'Kivitt	Durham CMC		Yes
Andy Gordon	Kendal CC		Yes
Maureen Blair	Earby PC		Yes
Harvey Lomas	Yorkshire Ramblers		Yes
Martell Baines	Bradford PC	CNCC/BCA representative	
Ian Cross	Bradford PC		
Ray Duffy	Red Rose CPC		
Hannah Walker	Red Rose CPC	Casterton Fell meets	
Noel Snape	ULSA/RRCPC		
Peter Hambly	NPC		Yes
Bernard Bond	Burnley CC		Yes
Tim Allen	NCC	Access representative	
Pat Halliwell	Craven PC		Yes
Ric Halliwell	Craven PC	Birks Fell etc. meets	
Holly Bradley	ULSA		Yes
Sam Lieberman	Red Rose CPC		Yes
Kay Easton	Bradford PC	Conservation Officer	Yes
Emma Heron	CDG – N. Section		Yes
Jason Mallinson	CDG – N. Section		
Lyndon Easterbrook	ULSA		
Joseph Smith	York Uni CPC		
Rachel Findlay	York Uni CPC		Yes
Chris Camm	White Rose PC		Yes
Gary Douthwaite	York CC	Webmaster	Yes
Ian Lloyd	Northumbrian SG		Yes
Pete Bann	Northern Boggarts	Treasurer	
Pete Monk	Northern Boggarts		Yes
Philip Judson	Gay Outdoor Club		
Andrew Farrow	Northern Boggarts	Leck Fell meets	
Fiona Durham	Yorkshire SS		Yes
Roy Holmes	Dent House SS	Chairman	
Matt Ewles	York CC	Secretary, taking minutes	

Numbering of sections in these minutes relates to agenda item numbering.

Number of voting full member clubs present at start of meeting: 15 – Quorum (10) established.

(YSS and YUCPC representatives arrived late, see notes in text, Durham CMC and CDG Northern Section representatives not voting until after their successful appointment as full members).

Final number of voting full members following all arrivals and appointments: 19

Full member clubs not present:

Airedale Caving Club
Bolton Speleo Club
Bowland Pennine MRT
CNCC Technical Group
Elysium Underground Group
Flat Learning Curve Pothole Club
Gay Outdoor Club (member present but non-voting)
Grampian Speleological Group
Gritstone Club (apology received)
Lancashire Caving and Climbing Group
Lancashire Underground Group
Morley Pothole Club
North York Moors Caving Club
Pegasus Caving Club
Pendle Caving Club
Rubber Duck Caving Club (apology received)
Sheffield University Speleological Society
St Helens Caving Club
Swaledale Outdoor Club
Th'Owd Skool Caving Club (apology received)

(1) Apologies for absence

Matt Jenkinson on behalf of Rubber Duck Caving Club
John Holloway (regular ULSA representative) - Holly Bradley representing ULSA instead.
Tony Brocklebank - Maureen Blair representing EPC instead.
Geoff Whittaker (regular Th'Owd Skool Caving Club representative/Ingleborough meets)
Andrew Hinde (regular Gritstone Club representative)
Johnny Latimer (Access Officer)

The meeting opened at 10:02am with a welcome from the Chairman.

(2) Applications for full membership

The first key item on the agenda was two applications for full membership, from the Durham Cave and Mine Club and the Cave Diving Group Northern Section. Matt Ewles confirmed that statements from these two clubs had been circulated by email, with details of how to access their constitutions. Representatives from both clubs were present. Matt asked if anyone had any questions.

- Holly Bradley commented that if CDG Northern Section were granted full membership, ULSA would not expect the CDG to subsequently be granted full membership.
- Ian Lloyd declared an abstention to the vote for the CDG Northern Section owing to his involvement with the club.
- There were no further comments or questions and so a vote was performed. Proposers and seconders were already in place prior to the meeting (see agenda).

Acceptance of Durham Cave and Mine Club as CNCC full members:

Votes: 15 votes for (unanimous)

Acceptance of Cave Diving Group Northern Section as CNCC full members:

Votes: 14 votes for, 1 abstention

Representatives for both newly appointed full member clubs, who had both provided letters of authorisation, were issued with temporary voting cards.

The number of voting representatives is now 17.

(3) Acceptance of minutes from the 2015 AGM

Sam Lieberman commented that there was a spelling mistake in 'Bowring' to correct. Otherwise, there were no comments.

Acceptance of minutes:

Proposed: Sam Lieberman

Seconded: Holly Bradley

Votes: 15 votes for, 2 abstentions

(4) Matters arising from the 2015 AGM

No matters arising.

(5) Officers reports

Chairman's report:

No questions.

Secretary's report:

Holly Bradley asked about permits for Eurospeleo and whether non-delegates would be able to get permits for that week. Matt confirmed that to the best of his understanding, all access to permit-controlled caves for that week would be limited to Eurospeleo delegates.

Treasurer's report:

Several points were raised:

- Pat Halliwell clarified that the incorrect year appeared on the letter to certify the accounts.

- Sam Lieberman asked about sales of rigging guides and the corporation tax this incurs. Pete Bann said that now we have 'opened the box' on tax liability it isn't something we can stop. However, sales of rigging guides by the CNCC stopped last year, so tax liability is massively reduced. The only publication we now sell is the Shuttleworth Pot guide, which has around 200 copies remaining, and Pete was open minded to suggestions to get rid of these. Jason Mallinson suggested these could be put on the CDG website to help sell them.
- Matt Ewles asked about the very low (approx 0.05%) amount of interest being received in the apparently 'high interest' account. Pete Bann said he was looking into this.

Action: Pete Bann to explore alternative to current high interest account.

Conservation Officer's report:

Several points were raised:

- Kay Easton said that the CNCC has arranged funding for a first aid course for up to 18 attendees, aimed at renewing the first aid training for the conservation volunteers. There are several spaces still available and these can be opened up to full member clubs. Date: 31st March 2016, 10am, Colt Park Barn. This is a three year First Aid at Work course tailored to those working around caves.

Action: Matt Ewles to email details to all full member clubs

- Tim Allen said he wants to encourage clubs with digs in a poor state to ensure these are cleaned up. Some untidy old digs have been cited by some bodies as a bad reflection on cavers' abilities to responsibly look after caves and the countryside. Tim questioned whether some funding from the IDLP project (Heritage Lottery) could be available for this.
- Pete Monk suggested that Tim put together a list of what he is aware of being the worst 'offenders' (digs, not clubs) for Kay (Conservation Officer) to look at.

Action: Tim to compile list of known untidy digs for presentation to Conservation Officer.

- Tim clarified that this wasn't just a matter of attributing blame to any particular club.
- Martell Baines said it would be useful if external partners/individuals could make us (the CNCC) aware of any sites in need to attention. Kay said that if people don't make her aware of issues, they can't do anything about it. Gary Douthwaite suggested a reporting form on the website could be a good way of doing this.

Action: Gary to look into implementation of reporting form on website for areas requiring conservation or cleanup.

Training Officer's Report:

Pat Halliwell commented on the fact that some people didn't turn up to the recent advanced SRT training course (or cancelled too last-minute to find someone to take the space), and asked whether we needed to introduce a refundable deposit in future to ensure that those signing up are taking it seriously. Dan Irving said that this was a reasonable suggestion.

Eurospeleo 2016 report (additional report):

Several discussions ensued:

- A question was raised about how caving was going to be managed at the event. Matt Ewles provided a verbal update on provision plans for a caving 'reception desk' where descriptions can be collected and guide books/surveys consulted.
- A few people said that this was also a good opportunity to promote the work of the CNCC. Pete Monk suggested a photographic display of our conservation work. Kay Easton agreed that this was a good idea, and she would speak with Andrew Hinde, as he may already have quite a lot of good material already.
- Holly Bradley asked about the cave descriptions and what had been done to help make these clear for all delegates. Matt Ewles replied to confirm that all the descriptions have been written bespoke for the event, in a standardised structure (summary, where to park, how to find the cave, navigation in the cave), in clear English and avoiding UK jargon, and they had been reviewed with this in mind.
- Holly asked whether the 'reception desk' was being run by the CNCC. Matt said no, at the moment he and Gary Douthwaite were coming up with ideas for this to present to the other Eurospeleo organisers (not in their CNCC capacity). Therefore the reception desk would not be a CNCC-organised event. However, he did not think there was any reason there could not be a CNCC 'stand' promoting conservation works for example, and he and Gary had already considered investing in this, including some CNCC pull-up display banners.

The York University Cave and Pothole Club representatives arrived at this point (10:30am) and were given a voting card. There are now 18 voting representatives.

- Ray Duffy asked if we should set a budget for the conservation posters/display. It was decided that this could be left to the Treasurer's discretion if under £500 expenditure.
- Tim Allen suggested that such a display should enforce a positive message, and not just show pictures of piles of rubbish in shakeholes.

Action: Off line from meeting assemble team to work towards putting together a display for Eurospeleo on CNCC conservation works. Kay/Matt/Gary to initiate?

- Ian Lloyd reminded everyone that some of the rope was now available for distribution and that anyone who is expecting some should meet him at the back of his car after the meeting.
- Pete Allwright asked if an email could be sent to the Secretary of CRO with details of the upcoming Eurospeleo meeting and for them to be kept informed of the planning regarding the caving arrangements. Matt Ewles said not a problem to do this, however, emphasised that Jon Beaven was also helping to keep CRO informed from a Eurospeleo perspective.

Acceptance of all Officers reports:

Proposed: Ian Lloyd

Seconded: Chris Camm

Votes: 17 votes for

Meets Secretary reports (additional reports and agenda item):

Aygill Caverns:

No questions

Ingleborough Estate:

Matt Ewles, on behalf of Geoff Whittaker, raised the matter of a defective fixed rope on the Greasy Slab climb at Bar Pot. For the last several permits issued to Bar Pot, Geoff has asked clubs if they are willing to help replace this rope but none have responded. Martell Baines said the Bradford Pothole Club can do this at their Winchmeet if nobody volunteers beforehand.

Action: Matt Ewles communicate this back to Geoff Whittaker

Penyghent area:

Tim Allen said work was ongoing at Langcliffe Estate.

Bowland, Leck Fell, Excalibur:

No questions

Casterton Fell:

No questions

Birks Fell:

A discussion arose about permits to Birks Fell:

- Tim Allen said that at its peak, Birks Fell would attract >50 permits per year, but this was now down significantly. He said he was concerned that for such an excellent cave, it now receives such little traffic. In light of Simon Wilson's recent Descent article, he cited Langcliffe Pot as an example of a much forgotten cave. He said we should consider promoting it as a cave.
- Hannah Walker asked if the drop-off has been quite sudden. It was established that this was quite gradual during the 1980s and 1990s.
- Holly Bradley asked whether it was because people felt they couldn't apply for multiple permits. Philip Judson said that he has tended to give Birks Fell a miss for this reason. Matt Ewles said that in his historic experience with York University, Wharfedale in general had been given a miss owing to the lack of light hire facilities on route to the caves.
- Martell Baines asked if we could publish the number of permits issued for Birks Fell over the last decade. Tim suggested the next issue of the CNCC newsletter could do this. Matt Ewles expressed some concern about the CNCC getting involved in 'promoting' specific caves but agreed that presenting permit numbers over the years would be very interesting, if only to show and remind clubs that there are ample number of permits available.

Action: Matt Ewles to compile information and include article in next CNCC newsletter.

- Holly Bradley said that ULSA had removed quite a lot of rubbish from Birks Fell (telephone wires) but there was still quite a lot of rubbish to remove.
- Ric Halliwell reminded all attendees that there were still three permits available for Robinson's Pot this year.

Fairy Holes:

Ric Halliwell reminded everyone that the agreement currently only runs until June.

Acceptance of all meets secretary reports:

Proposed: Pete Monk

Seconded: Pat Halliwell

Votes: 17 votes for

(6) Discussion and vote on constitutional amendment section 3b

Matt Ewles opened with an overview of this amendment. This has already been proposed and seconded at the January Committee meeting.

There were no questions or comments so a vote was conducted immediately.

Acceptance of proposed amendment in section 3b:

Votes: 17 votes for

(7) Discussion and vote on all other constitutional amendments

Matt Ewles opened with an overview of these amendments. These have already been proposed and seconded at the January Committee meeting.

- Jason Mallinson asked how the IC representative would be elected. Have they been voted in by individual cavers and how can we be sure this individual is truly representing individual cavers when they are only voted in at CNCC meeting?
- Matt Ewles explained that they would be elected by voting Direct Individual Members of the BCA present at the meeting, and not by the clubs, and that his job before the AGM would be to make it known to as many cavers as possible, by as many means as possible that the opportunity to stand, and to vote for this position at the CNCC AGM was available.
- Tim Allen said that the role of the IC representative was to put forward the view of the individual, something which is not currently covered by the CNCC structure.
- Harvey Lomas expressed concern that someone could simply turn up and stand for the IC representative position without having undergone some kind of 'pre-selection' process.
- Sam Lieberman said that he felt it was not for the CNCC to dictate how this person is chosen. Kay Easton supported this, saying that the CNCC does not concern itself with how the clubs appoint their representatives, and must take it on trust that the appointed representative are truly reflecting the wishes of their club.
- Some concern was expressed that anyone could turn up and self-appoint to the role. Matt Ewles explained that the IC representative position was subject to the same rules as all the club Committee positions; they must submit notification in advance, to ensure a chance for all voters to make an informed choice, and at the AGM itself they must receive at least three votes to be considered eligible.

- Holly Bradley asked whether three votes were enough. Matt Ewles said this was a valid point, but explained that this came about in lieu of having proposer and seconders for the Committee applicants... i.e. three votes were equivalent to having the bare minimum level of support required (their own vote and that equivalent to a proposer and seconder).
- Gary Douthwaite said that the proposed system was not ideal, but there seemed no better approach on offer at the moment to try to democratically get individual cavers represented.
- Roy Holmes asked for a show of hands for how many DIMs were in the room: 5
- Harvey Lomas asked how a DIM gets to vote at the AGM. Matt Ewles said that all DIMs present at the AGM (with their BCA card as proof) would get to vote, and that he would take it as the job of the Secretary to advertise this opportunity as widely as possible outside of the usual CNCC circle. A comment was made that we might be able to ask the BCA to help publicise this for example through their email list or newsletter, or possibly have this information included in all BCA DIM membership renewals.
- Lynden Easterbrook suggested that the CNCC merely needed to create the position for an IC representative, and let the BCA worry about how to appoint this person.
- Ian Lloyd asked whether this meant southern individual cavers can stand or vote on this. Matt Ewles confirmed yes, but only if they are willing to attend the meeting.

Roy Holmes closed the discussion and moved the meeting on to a vote.

Acceptance of all other proposed constitutional amendments relating to IC representative:

Votes: 16 votes, 1 vote against, 1 abstention

Action: Matt Ewles to make plans to ensure the vacancy for an IC representative on the Committee in 2017 is advertised as widely as possible during the coming year.

(8+9) Election of CNCC Committee/Officers for the year 2016-2017

The Yorkshire Speleological Society representative arrived just in time for the elections.

There are now 19 voting representatives.

A voting form had been distributed with all voting cards (this form is shown in Appendix 1 for information purposes). Representatives were given verbal instructions and voting for both Officers and Committee was performed concurrently. The forms were collected and there was a 10 minute tea break while votes were counted by Matt Ewles and independently verified by Ric Halliwell.

Outcome:

All standing Officers and Committee received a minimum of three votes and were elected. The Committee therefore comprises 13 members for the year 2016-2017.

Officers and Committee for 2016-2017 are:

Chairman: Roy Holmes
Secretary: Matt Ewles
Treasurer: Pete Bann
Conservation: Kay Easton
Access: Johnny Latimer
Training: Dan Irving

Committee:

Bradford Pothole Club
Burnley Caving Club
Craven Pothole Club
Earby Pothole Club
Gritstone Club
Northern Boggarts
Northern Pennine Club
Over and Under Caving Club
Red Rose Cave and Pothole Club
University of Leeds Speleological Association
White Rose Pothole Club
York University Cave and Pothole Club
Yorkshire Subterranean Society

The actual numbers of votes for each are not reported. All met eligibility acceptance (min. 3 votes).

The number of voting forms returned was confirmed to tally with the number of voting representatives at this point in the meeting (19).

(10) Countryside Rights of Way (CRoW) Act update

Tim Allen provided a verbal update on the status of the BCA campaign to change DEFRA's interpretation of the CRoW act to cover caving. The following text is the approximate transcript of this report (as provided by Tim to support the minutes), adapted slightly with his permission to make it more readable and to elaborate on a few points/abbreviations for clarity.

Report from Tim Allen regarding CRoW campaign progress:

By the time of last year's AGM, the BCA had conducted a poll of the entire membership asking the question, "Should BCA, on your behalf, campaign for the Countryside and Rights of Way Act to apply to going underground?"

The result was a clear majority in favour; but things didn't get off to a great start. The poll included a list of bullet points the BCA would aim to act upon if there was a yes vote. The most controversial of these turned out to be one which stated it would, "seek to change Section 4.6 of our constitution." which in turn states "That the owners and tenants of property containing caves have the right to grant or withhold access."

However this was not conditional on pursuing the campaign and it was decided by the BCA executive that there was no problem with the constitution if it was found, as Dinah Rose QC had stated, that the law already included caving. It was only if the BCA campaigned to change the law itself that it would need to change the constitution. Hence the campaign that has been launched is aimed at changing the interpretation of the CRow Act and not the actual Act itself.

A second problem arose when the BCA C&A Officer announced that he couldn't campaign on behalf of BCA as it conflicted with the position of his employer.

To cut a long story short I took on the role of BCA CRow Liaison officer at the June council meeting. I think all at BCA realised that it needed to drive a campaign forward as this was expected by the membership. BCA are now quite clear that they are campaigning to persuade the government that the existing CRow Act already applies to caving and are not trying to change the law.

The current position accepted by government is that the Act applies to the entrances of caves - and underground where it is still considered 'open air'. It has been interpreted by Natural England that 'open air' in this case might mean to somewhere like the limit of daylight. This seems very confusing and rather illogical. As Dinah Rose pointed out "this does not accord with the policy of the Act nor lead to a rational outcome".

The BCA strategy is simple: to gather wide ranging support for the campaign and to bring pressure to bear on government through Defra, in order to change its guidance on the CRow Act. This will be done with reference to the bullet points used in the poll, of lobbying MPs, gathering support from other outdoor organisations, authorities and landowners, presenting the social economic and health benefits, and promoting a better understanding of caving to authority. The aim is to do this whilst being respectful to landowners and continuing to promote better cave conservation by education, best practice and not by restriction.

In brief – what have we done and where are we at?

I have lobbied MPs including my own Julian Smith who has been helpful in ways other than with CRow. We have former shadow home secretary David Davis and APPGM chair David Rutley on board. I have also been corresponding with the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at DEFRA, Rory Stewart, and trying to set up a meeting with the Secretary of State Liz Truss. As you know I secured a VIP caving trip which included David Davis and David Rutley, plus Dinah Rose QC to Gaping Gill main chamber via Bar Pot. This generated some favourable media including a front cover and feature article in the Yorkshire Post. Much work is ongoing.

Accompanying us on the VIP trip was Richard Toon, chair of Lancashire Local Access Forum who I met through presenting caving to the LAFs both in Lancashire and the Yorkshire Dales National Park. Together we have been able to get the message out quite widely in those circles who advise government.

I have also been in contact with several other outdoor organisations who have been very supportive and there is good progress here.

I would like to give you more specifics of recent developments but I feel I should report those in the first instance to BCA Council. I'd also like to be clear on the BCA Councils support regarding this campaign. They have supported and voted to accept all my work to date.

End of statement

Some questions regarding Tim's statement were then raised:

- Jason Mallinson asked whether Ms. Rose had determined the bottom of Gaping Gill main chamber to be 'open air recreation'. The discussion moved on before this was discussed further.
- Ian Lloyd asked whether the CRoW Act might mean the CPC/BPC may no longer need a permit to run their winch. Tim said that running of the winchmeet was more than just recreational caving and so yes, permission would still be required.
- Andy Gordon asked what exactly needed to happen now for CRoW to become a 'done deal'. Tim said that it needs to be the will of the ministers to have their civil servants in DEFRA change their advice regarding the CRoW Acts application to caving.
- Ray Duffy said that when the CRoW act was being drawn up, cavers were consulted. Tim said that based on this, they cannot state that they were not aware of caving as a sport, and that the decision not to specifically exclude it suggested that it should be included. However, it is not deemed to be included because it is not 'open air recreation'. The BCA, itself, are not seeking Judicial Review due to cost and many other factors.
- Ric Halliwell said that the British and Irish Show Cave Association had written to DEFRA to express their concerns regarding CRoW, mostly based around conservation.
- Andrew Farrow suggested that there were 100s of caves in which you could just 'rock up and go caving' with the right equipment. He said that yes, we should be pursuing CRoW, but we needed to avoid giving too much of the impression that caving is hard to get into as the situation currently stands, as this could be bad for our sport.

(11) Any Other Business

- Martell Baines commented that the next BCA meeting is 10th April and she is unable to attend. It would be ideal for the CNCC to identify an alternative individual to represent us and deliver the CNCC vote if possible.
- Jason Mallinson asked whether there was any more news on IC Anchors. Matt Ewles said that he had asked, but Simon did not have anything he wished to report to the AGM. Matt did however read out short written report provided by Sam Allshorn:

"IC anchors have been installed in Gingling Hole both big pitch route and big rift route. Cupcake to as far as the top of Count Lazo Stognoffs Aven. Thanks to the many cavers especially Holly Bradley and Shezi Mohamadi for their help with these projects. Also Inglesport for sponsoring the permanent rigging of the up pitches in Cupcake. "

- Matt said that Sam had emphasised that this was not a comprehensive report on all work with IC anchors, but simply an update on the projects he had been involved with.
- Sam Lieberman said that a new route in Echo Aven had also been recently bolted.
- With respect to dates for Committee meetings and the next AGM, Matt Ewles said that he had spotted that one of the dates suggested at the previous Committee meeting (4th June 2016) clashed with the BCA AGM weekend. Matt proposed some new dates, and said that anybody with concerns about these dates should contact him over the coming two weeks:

Saturday 2nd July 2016 – Committee Meeting

Saturday 8th October 2016 – Committee Meeting

Saturday 14th January 2017 – Committee Meeting

Saturday 11th March 2017 – Annual General Meeting

Meeting closed 11:45am

Summary of action items dictated or inferred from this meeting:

Individual(s)	Action item
Matt E.	<p>General secretarial:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Issue September meeting minutes as final and AGM as draft. 2. Get membership cards made for both new full member clubs. 3. Post the dates of upcoming meetings on website if no objections received. <p>Others:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Email details of vacant spaces on first aid course to all full members. 2. Communicate to Geoff Whittaker offer from BPC regarding Bar Pot rope. 3. Put together article on Birks Fell for next CNCC Newsletter. 4. Communicate to all cavers (not just CNCC member clubs) about the vacancy next year for IC representative on CNCC Committee.
All interested individuals	Work offline to put together a CNCC display of conservation works for Eurospeleo.
Gary D.	<p>General website content maintenance:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Update membership list and Committee list. 2. Update online constitution. <p>Others:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Look into introduction of reporting function on website for areas in need of conservation (specifically, digs/shakeholes needing cleaned up).
Pete B.	Look into high interest account alternatives.
Tim A.	Compile a list of digs/shakeholes known to him which require conservation/cleanup works and provided to Conservation Officer.

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Officer election voting form for Annual General Meeting 5th March 2016

To vote for an applicant, put a cross in the box by the name of the applicant.

For any applicants who you do not wish to vote for (i.e. who you do not support taking up the stated position), leave the box empty.

Although there is only one applicant per position this year, a vote is still required to show adequate support for each of the named applicants. Each must receive a minimum of three votes to be appointed to the position.

Failure to appoint an Officer to each position may necessitate a SGM to be called.

Chairman

X

1. Roy Holmes	
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Secretary

1. Matt Ewles	
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Treasurer

1. Pete Bann	
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Conservation Officer

1. Kay Easton	
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Training Officer

1. Dan Irving	
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Access Officer

1. Johnny Latimer	
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Committee election voting form for Annual General Meeting 5th March 2016

To vote for an applicant, put a cross in the box by the applicant club(s) who you wish to take a position on the CNCC Committee. As the number of vacancies exceeds the number of applicants, you may vote for as many applicants as you wish.

For any applicants who you do not wish to vote for (i.e. who you do not support taking a position on the CNCC Committee), leave the box by their club name empty.

Each applicant must receive a minimum of three votes to be appointed. A Committee of up to 13 members will be formed, however, as few as 10 members is constitutionally allowed should up to three applicants not receive the minimum of three votes.

Failure to appoint a Committee of at least 10 members may necessitate a SGM to be called.

Committee	X
1. Craven Pothole Club	
2. Yorkshire Subterranean Society	
3. Red Rose Cave and Pothole Club	
4. Gritstone Club	
5. York University Cave and Pothole Club	
6. Northern Boggarts	
7. Bradford Pothole Club	
8. White Rose Pothole Club	
9. Over and Under Caving Club	
10. Earby Pothole Club	
11. University of Leeds Speleological Association	
12. Burnley Caving Club	
13. Northern Pennine Club	