

REPORT FROM CRoW WORKING GROUP TO BCA AGM 2014.

Motion for BCA AGM

The BCA Working Group on Countryside and Rights of Way Act of 2000 (CRoW) is instructed to pursue legal advice on the application of CRoW to caving, subject to Council's agreement if funding is required,

and subject to that advice being favourable,

instructs BCA Council to amend the terms of reference of the Working Group to:

- a) The Working Group has a membership of:
 - i. A Convenor nominated by Council,
 - ii. BCA's Conservation and Access Officer,
 - iii. A representative from each Regional Caving Council and National Body member,
 - iv. Any other persons nominated by Council, and
 - v. As non voting members, any persons that the Working Party may co-opt;
- b) Completes its work on identifying potentially affected cave and mines in England and also Wales;
- c) Undertakes negotiations on behalf of BCA with other bodies interested in CRoW;
- d) Negotiates with Natural England and Natural Resources Wales on behalf of BCA to obtain acceptance of the legal advice;
- e) Produces advice to regions on acceptable forms of access agreements based on the legal advice and information from Natural England and Natural Resources Wales;
- f) Make recommendations on aspects of conservation to the Conservation and Access Committee;
- g) Produces advice to regions for use in briefing land owners on developments; and
- h) Produces advice to regions on any appropriate supplementary topics.

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Seconded