

BLU Committee Meeting 18th March 2023

Present: Ben Longman, Margie Patrick, Mike Warde, Marc Meryon

Also invited: Adele Clarke

Agenda

- Event
- Communications
- Female only sessions
- Merchandise and fundraising
- Diversity of users
- Booking system
- BLU Tits

Event

Discussion around the logistics of holding an event in 2025, including capacity, format, entry fee, costs and safety considerations.

Better communications with Fusion

A local club had asked for more information about Fusion's structure and decisionmaking, esp around costs for booking.

Action: raise with Fusion at the BLSC meeting

Female only sessions

Some members have asked for female only sessions in the spa/sauna area. The committee discussed how this could work and whether there were examples of other sites doing this.

Action: raise with Fusion at the BLSC meeting

Outdoor sauna

BL had asked Fusion to replace outdoor sauna and gathered quotes, and information for Fusion to progress, including how it could work financially. BL will take it back up with Fusion and get confirmation.

Merchandise

Adele Clarke showed some test designs and there were discussions around which were preferred, messaging etc.

Action: Adele had offered to progress designs.

Diversity of users at the lido

Members had a robust conversation about how to increase the number of minority users at the lido and how to form a coherent policy to progress this, including whether the booking system acted as a barrier. In action for 2024/5.

Blu-tits group/social swim

Some members had wanted to set up a group of social swimmers. Bluetits are not taking on new groups at moment. Committee discussed having a social swim and how to run it.

Action: Adele to set up discussion group for Blue Tits specifically.