

Hinckley Group Report 2022

A mixed year for our Group. In some respects a very successful year with membership numbers holding firm. Depending upon which numbers are published we should show a small year on year increase in membership. The numbers provided by Central Office continue to be frustrating with basic numbers not adding up. Opening membership number plus/minus new members/leavers equals Closing membership. Well, you would have thought so!

Generally we have been able to continue with our regular programme of 3 walks per week - Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays - with a short season of Evening walks [Tuesdays] during the summer months. Our ability to have a full programme has been impacted by some 5 of our regular leaders being unavailable to lead for lengthy periods owing to illness and injury. A number of current Leaders have stepped forward to offer a significant number of walks each but possibly at a rate that will be difficult to maintain through the new year. Sunday walks in particular have been affected.

Various means of encouraging new Leaders have been offered including training sessions, one to one assistance etc with limited success

On the social front we have had a good year with a number of different functions including a successful coach ramble - full bus - to Oxford which offered 3 lengths of walk and/or a meander around the city.

Regards, Tony
Hinckley Chairman