

## **Minutes of Zone 4 Meeting**

Meeting No- 1/09  
Date 18<sup>th</sup> April 2009  
Time 1030  
Location Newmarket

### **Present**

<b>Call sign</b>	<b>Group</b>
G0TVD	SW Herts
G4KUJ	Hertfordshire
G6EUO	Forest Heath
G7CNX	Mid Herts
G7OBO	East Suffolk
G7OOW	Suffolk
G7UHE	Essex
G8HVV	Cambs
G8IDL	Cambs
G8KLC	ZC4
M0NAS	Essex

### **Apologies**

Apologies were received from:  
G1SCQ, G4PMG, G4PMS, G6EDD, G6FSU

### **Minutes of last meeting**

These were agreed as a correct record with minor spelling corrections.

### **Matters arising from last meeting**

G8KLC was asked to send out the last minutes with the agenda in future.

#### **ACTION – G8KLC**

G4ODH website – G8KLC had not written to G4ODH and following further discussion the following was agreed.

- The Zone website would be promoted to members
- G7CIY would remove the link to the G4ODH website from the Suffolk website
- G7CIY volunteered to liaise with Forest Heath and build their webpage
- G8KLC would contact RAYNET webmasters and advise them to remove any links to the G4ODH website

Talk through permits – The Network has decided to continue with the current permit arrangements but on a yearly basis as this enables the annual report that Ofcom have encouraged us to produce as good practice. It also provides information regarding the scale of the use of talk through in discussions with Ofcom and also records any cases of interference either between RAYNET operations or to or from other services. The report for 2008 has been submitted to Ofcom.

### **Treasurer's Report**

G8KLC reported that there had been no expenditure since the last meeting and that the current balance remained at £33.52.

### **Zone Coordinator's Report**

A strategy weekend was being held soon that would involve both CoM Trustees and Team Leaders.

The Kent Ambulance Service call out had generated new enquiries regarding joining RAYNET.

The Network was still represented on the RSGB Spectrum Forum by the Chairman.

The Network now has its own web hosting server.

A non-emergency contact phone number, (030 30 40 10 80), for the Network has been established.

The supplies function was transferring to a new team and they would like to know what items members wish them to stock.

RAYNET had a stand at the Hertfordshire Resilience Conference held in March.

### **Capabilities Document**

The RAYNET Capability Document had been re-issued Groups were requested to provide their inputs to County by the end of May with a view to County inputs to Zone by the end of June.

### **ACTION – Groups & Counties**

### **East of England Ambulance Service MoU**

G8KLC and G4KUJ had met with the newly appointed Head of Resilience and Emergency Planning in March. He has indicated that he wishes to continue to explore the possibility of an MoU between our organisations but now covering all of the six counties. He undertook to provide details of the sites that he believed should be covered.

### **Reports**

Reports had been received from Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Suffolk, Forreth Heath, North Anglia, Mid Herts, SW Herts, North Herts and Hertfordshire.

## **Any other Business**

### **Zonal Exercise**

David, G8IDL, suggested that there should be a re-run of Polly, only better. It would take onboard the debrief comments and hopefully include more stations, particularly on the coast. The need for more operators at control stations was noted together with looking at getting messages going both ways. The use of other modes, VHF SSB, HF and Data should also be considered. The meeting agreed that a further exercise should be held and the exercise team were asked to make suitable proposals.

**ACTION – Exercise Team**

### **Dates of next meeting**

It was noted that St John Ambulance were now charging £50 for the use of the building.

G8KLC would explore the possibility of other venues.

The date of the next meeting was agreed as 29<sup>th</sup> November. Venue – TBA.