



Minutes of SAC Forum Meeting

Held on Camp 2017

The two main issues discussed were 1. Quiet Area and 2, Camper vans.

1. Quiet Area

- It was discussed that there is a need for the 'quiet area' around the meditation dome to be clearly marked to prevent people camping next to it.
- The meeting discussed the need for the camp to be clear that there is **no** 'quiet camping area' as the whole camp supports a quieter environment, but there are 'quiet spaces' that can be used when on camp. These areas include the meditation dome and the men's/women's areas (when no sharing groups). It was suggested that these areas should be more clearly identified either with a site map or through signs outside the spaces.
- There was some discussion as to how to manage requests to camp in 'a quiet area'. It was suggested that a site map may be created that identifies where teens, Big Top, cafe etc. are placed to help people choose where they camp. An alternative suggestion was to have designated areas for families, camper vans, teens etc. although there was a comment that the ethos of SAC was to encourage more integration and circles needed a mix of people and ages etc. to function well.
- It was suggested that by moving the meditation Dome to a less suitable camping area it would free up more space for camping.

2. Camper vans

- The meeting discussed how to accommodate increasing numbers of campervans and Live-in vehicles.
- Suggestions included; setting a limit on how many camper vans are allowed to attend, charging a campervan surcharge, marking off areas along the hedge that are designated camper van only spots, asking that no tents are pitched along the hedges, moving the meditation dome to a different spot to free up more flat areas for tents.
- There was a general discussion about the ethos of the camp and whether campervans should be encouraged or not. Both the pros and cons were acknowledged.

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