

ARGLES MEMORIAL HALL CROSTHWAITE

AGM MINUTES SATURDAY 27th APRIL 2019

6.00 PM, ARGLES MEMORIAL HALL

1. PRESENT: JB, GP, MS, AD, KE, LG, JW, JG, CH, JH, PB, PW, PP, DP, MD, (Reps) Ivy Pearson, Tom Smith

2. Apologies MJ, MH, CS, PW (none received from AG, HB, JR,)

3. Minutes of last meeting

Approved and Signed

4. Matters arising

- Updated key holder list-circulated for records, Booking secretary & Committee members to hold hard copies. Completed and circulated
- Virgin Money account now closed, all monies are in HSBC current account
- Jumble Sale arrangements and publicity in place AUCTION ADVERTISED AS 2pm

5. Retiring Officers Reports:

Chair-Attached

Vice Chair: Recorded thanks to the community for all the support they have given over her many years of service. MS also said that the Village Hall is a wonderful facility which must be preserved for the future, and concluded by saying it had been a privilege to serve.

Treasurer: Recorded that during his stewardship there had (fortunately) been no major financial issues. GB stated that he had very much enjoyed working with Jim and the other Committee members. He echoed the sentiments of the Chair and Vice Chair in praise of the work done by all over very many years.

JB thanked Gordon and Marylin for their service.

6 .Approval of Audited Accounts

Signed and approved

Treasurer wished it noted that having begun negotiations with HMRC regarding obtaining VAT relief on the total rebuild costs, he would conclude those negotiations rather than hand them on to a new Treasurer. The total rebuild costs have increased following the recent insurance re-valuation, and as this is now iro £900K, there are substantial savings to be made if we are successful in gaining exemption from VAT.

Treasurer also noted that 3 annual events, The Panto, Jumble Sale and Christmas Fair account for 50% of the annual income of the Hall, and their significance must be recognised in future event planning for the Hall.

The Hall currently holds iro 6K in reserve. This leaves an available balance of £3.5K which may be spent on capital projects without compromising the requisite reserve sum.

Auditor Peter Sherratt has retired.

AD to approach Jonathan Rashleigh, GP willing to Audit if necessary.

7. Election of Officers

Despite extensive publicity and personal approaches, it has not been possible to find a candidate willing to stand as Chair. JB has expressed his willingness to continue in an active supporting role in the future, but does not want to carry any responsibilities for the day to day running and management of the Hall. He is unwilling to extend his term as chair and his resignation from that role is final.

Two people have come forward and are willing to be co-opted onto the committee to help with day to day issues, events etc.

It was decided that for the present, the post of Chair remain vacant, and efforts continue to find a suitable candidate.

In the meantime, Jim Bownass will take on the role of Vice Chair until a suitable replacement is found.

Trustees remain Jim Bownass (Vice Chair), Anne Douglas (Secretary), Jenny Waldron(Treasurer). On appointment, Chair will take up Trusteeship.

Chair : Remains Vacant

Vice Chair: Jim Bownass Proposed: AD Seconded: GW -Approved

Treasurer: Jenny Waldron Proposed& Seconded at the last meeting -Approved

Secretary: Anne Douglas Proposed KE, Seconded LG, Approved

Co-opted members: Steve Rowlinson Proposed: PB, Seconded: MS, Approved. Kath Edwards, Proposed LG , Seconded AD, Approved. Judy Goodland, Proposed GP Seconded JB , Approved.

8. Update on LIP bid, KE (detailed discussion to be deferred until first meeting of new committee)

£2000 has been awarded for replacement of windows. This amount is less than requested, therefore a detailed exploration is necessary to determine how best to proceed.

9. Bookings cover 3rd-12th May AD

10. Jumble Sale Arrangements-MS

- Floats JW to ensure there are 3x£15 floats, for refreshments, the door and the raffle.
- Tea & biscuits £1.50
- 6 smaller floats of £5 in loose change to be made available to tables
- Refreshments- MS & Vonnie Sharp

- Door- 50p Adults 25p Children -Judy Goodland
- Raffle-Ivy Pearson & Margaret Trotter

Logistics for future events noted:

Set up using wooden trestle tables 2pm Friday

6pm Friday, helpers arrive & sort

Saturday 10am helpers arrive

Doors open 1pm

Auction 1.30pm

Leftovers to be bagged for collection on Monday at 10 am. AD to be contact

11. Reports Attached: Health & Safety –KE, WI- DP, Parish Council(deferred) :First Responders, Rec Field, School, JH, Exchange, GW

12.Planting and watering of Hall containers GW

The Exchange have taken on the planting, watering and maintenance of planters in previous years.

The Exchange have decided not to continue with this task, and ask for volunteers to take it on. Infrastructure is in place, plants are begonias from Lucy's in Grange.-(cost approx. £50) This will be put to organisations and the new committee will discuss how to proceed at their next meeting.

The Exchange were thanked for their efforts.

13.Christmas Tree Festival,

Wendy Townend has asked for volunteers to store the Christmas Trees she has collected for the Christmas Tree Festival in the Church. This request will be circulated.

14.AOB-none

15. DONM – to be fixed by new committee and advised separately

16.Presentations

Presentations of Flowers, Gift Tokens and cards were made to outgoing officers, Jim Bownass, Chair, Marylin Shuttleworth, Vice Chair, and Gordon Pitt, Treasurer.

The meeting recorded a vote of thanks for their many years of service, and wished them well for the future.

