

Tarvin Community Centre Committee of Management

Minutes of meeting held at Tarvin Community Centre at 19.30 on Tuesday 14th December 2021

Present: Ted Lush (Chairman), Jane Lush (Treasurer), Jane Armstrong (Secretary), Sue Hardacre (Bookings and Marketing), Lyn Brunton (Social and Website) Roy Brereton (Buildings), Brian Hardacre, Gill Williams (WI), Chris Leavy (Caretaker - from 8pm)

1. Apologies - Fiona Lewis (Arts), Sharon Nolan (Gardening Club), Jane Hough (Films), Merryn Shaw (Ashton Hayes and Tarvin Flower Club). Pete Brunton, Helen Flynn (Parish Council).

2. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 2nd November were approved and signed as a correct record by TL.

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes.
None.

4. Officers' reports

Chairman's Report

Ted Lush

See attached report.

The Chairman had met Hazel Job, CWaC Corporate Asset Manager, her colleague Laura Dutton, Senior estates surveyor and Councillor Harry Tonge on 2nd December. They seemed surprised that the boiler had been replaced. The Chairman thought the views of the Committee on the possible use of the office side plus the site visit would prove helpful as the officers had to produce a report on options. They were aiming for Spring 2022.

Unsurprisingly nothing from CWaC since the 2nd as to their plans but Chris reported that Nadie van der Wath Team manager, Re-ablement Service and Home Assessment Team had been on site and thought the offices would be suitable for her team. We will wait to see whether this positive news gets turned into action.

SH (and Fiona Lewis via email) raised concerns about the village and the Parish Council not being kept informed of the current situation with the CWaC side of the building and its future use.

RB said that at present our dialogue with CWaC should be kept private while they consider their options. We have 18 years left on our lease.

Treasurer's Financial Report

Jane Lush

At the end of November we are in a healthy financial position.

Waiting for a bill from CRTA for 2 shows.

Old Herbaceous made a profit of £182 - we had a 50% rebate.

Bojangles made a profit of £173

Mavis Sparkle a loss of £672

Reels on Wheels are behind with billing us; we have paid the guarantee but not the share of the surplus for James Bond Film.

Christmas Fair Stall - the game made enough to cover the stall hire and all 50 Christmas Quizzes were sold.

Bowling Club Bar made profit of £237

Total Funds £78,581.37

SH said that we need to spend some of the money and the toilet upgrade was the obvious project, but only if it was value for money.

Buildings Officer

Roy Brereton

RB was of the opinion that we must put on hold the toilet upgrade until we know what is happening with the other side of the premises and this was agreed by the Committee.

SH is expecting another quote for refurbishment of the toilets and will follow it up.

Booking Secretary/Marketing

Sue Hardacre

See report. This past month has seen new groups booking regular times e.g. Art, Singing, WW (Weight Watchers) and a young peoples' drama group.

The Table Tennis continues to be popular and the Honesty Box system was working well, although the full cost of the 2 hours is not quite covered. However, they often only stay for 90 mins. SH hopes in the New Year to put it on a more formal footing.

The new Omicron Covid variant may have negative effects on the bookings in the new year.

SH apologised for the loss made on the Mavis Sparkle show - the wrong show, terrible weather and no pantomime available were all factors.

SH will resign from the Committee with effect from 31st March 2022 or when a replacement Bookings Secretary can be found, whichever comes first. SH apologised for a couple of mistakes when organising 2 recent bookings. TL assured SH that this was not a reason to resign but did thank her, as did all the rest of the Committee, for all her hard work.

There will be an effort to recruit new Committee members and Officers in the new year. Vacant Officer roles will have a formal job description to aid recruitment. SH to provide Bookings Secretary for the January meeting.

JA reminded the Committee that we had received information from Cheshire Community Action offering help with recruiting volunteers. She will bring it to the next meeting.

SH has had contact with a Jazz Band, which would cost £400 and plans to organise a dance / concert in April 2022.

SH wondered if we should approach Kingsley Players for some more 'Allo Allo' but some Committee members were not in favour.

SH is looking for a Pantomime to be put on in December 2022 and may have found a suitable group.

5 Future Events

The Village Quiz in January 7th and 14th 2022 - JA has 17 teams entered. Entries are now closed.

Stuart MacNeil is the quizmaster, Maddy Sheppard and a new recruit Helen Maguire, scorers, Ellie, Maddy's granddaughter the time keeper.

The draw took place and JA will be sending this out to the entrants.

Film Night - JA has contacted ROW about West Side Story for the next adult film but this is not confirmed yet.

6 Any Other Business

There was a discussion on upgrading the Broadband to the Centre to Fibre Optic. SH is going to contact Open Reach for a quote.

7 Date of next meeting Tuesday 4th January 2022