

## Tarvin Community Centre Committee of Management

### Minutes of meeting held at Tarvin Community Centre at 19.30 on 1st October 2024

Present: Ted Lush (Chairman), Jane Lush (Treasurer), Jane Armstrong (Secretary), Sarah Dutton (Social Media), Jane Grahame (Arts)  
Neil Poole (Parish Council), Merryn Shaw (Ashton Hayes and Tarvin Flower Club), Helen Maguire, Gill Williams (WI)

**1. Apologies** Yuri Platyka (Website and Tech) Sharon Nolan ( Tarvin Gardening Society)  
Helen Maguire

**2.** Minutes of the last meeting 3rd September 2024 were approved by the committee and signed by EJJ

**3 Matters Arising from the Minutes.**

Sarah Dutton offered to contact the Chester Standard to publicise the official opening of the new toilets on Friday October 18th when Aphra Brandreth will attend.

**4. Officers' reports**

**Chairman's Report** **Ted Lush** See previously circulated report.

EJJ presented his report. Members commented that the mirrors in the toilets were distorted and this could be mentioned to the contractors' representative at the opening.

Events list for October /November 2024 Previously circulated. All events covered.

**Treasurer's Financial Report** **Jane Lush** Previously circulated.

JL presented the financial statement for September 2024.

Income in September included an anonymous donation towards the toilet upgrade, on which Gift Aid will be reclaimed.

Expenditure in September includes £381 balance of cost for a replacement blind in the hall, £58 for a supply of replacement chair feet, £162 for website hosting and renewal of the SSI certificate, £97,691 to the contractor for the toilet works and £1,050 to the architect for contract administration fees.

There will be a large bill in January 2025 to settle the fees to CWaC.

The balance in the deposit account will transfer to the current account on 4th October when the deposit account will be closed.

Total Funds available: £16,552.33

**5 Future Events**

the Christmas Fair is on 7th December 2024, JL and EJJ will not be able to attend, JA will organise the stall and recruit helpers. JL will produce a quiz to sell as usual.

AHTC are putting on 2 play performances of 'Its a Wonderful life' on that day.

There is a CRTA performance that can be booked "Speedwell" in May 2025, JL and JG will look at 2nd or 9th May.

The Village Quiz will be on Friday January 10th 2025. JA will contact possible teams.

No decision about Film Showings yet - See JA report below.

## **6 Any other Business**

Gill reported that the WI members had problems putting out the chairs and tables required for meetings and it was noted that the Bingo sessions were always set up for them. Gill suggested that her husband could come and help with this before the meetings and the Committee were happy to agree with this offer of help.

Dates of next 3 meetings are: 5th November, 3rd December 2024, 7th January 2025

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.

### **JA's Report on the film showing situation.**

The TCC MC committee members have received many queries about future film showings.

Reels on Wheels provided films for more than 10 years and then closed down the business very suddenly. This was a problem free service, as they turned up with all the equipment, films and arranged the essential licences and distribution rights. With the bar takings we usually made a small profit or at least broke even.

The Secretary has contacted other Community Centres, some of whom are in the same position as us. Vicars Cross are hoping to use Flicks in the Sticks based 90 minutes away but need a technician in our area. We are waiting to see how this goes as it is a somewhat similar service to ROW but they show older films.

Another option is to source our own equipment, a projector costs at least £4,000, we already have a screen and a sound system that would probably link up. There may be grants to help with the cost. We would only be able to show films that are already out on DVD and also have to pay for the licence and rights to show to a paying audience.

We continue to consider these options and other possible ones.

Would people come to see older films?

Is there anyone out there who is technically minded and would be prepared to help with film showings if we managed to source a projector?