

Royal Four Towns Hall Association

Minutes of the Meeting held on 3rd July, 2017

Those Present : Nick Bass(Chairperson), Jim Burns, Gill Frazer, Margaret Byrne, John Thomson(Treasurer), Stuart Robinson, Jeanette Carmichael, Graham Anderson(Property Convenor), Lorna Bell(Secretary)

Apologies : Sarah Cowan, Teresa McColm, Ellen Hyslop

Minutes from Previous Meeting : these were accepted as a true and accurate account.

Matters Arising : Car Park – Graham Anderson reported to the committee that he had spoken to Gordon Herbert who informed him that the land adjacent to the hall was given to the community and managed by a village committee before the formation of a hall committee, still no information on whether there are any restrictions on the use of the land.

Craft Fair – Stuart Robinson updated the committee on the uptake of places at the proposed craft fair, unfortunately only four crafters have applied to attend. Stuart put it to the committee that the project should be shelved for this year and see what interest there would be if the event was put back to its original format of the first weekend in October for the following year, the committee agreed to this. Nick Bass thanked Stuart for all his work on this project.

Chairperson/Secretary positions – Nick Bass informed the committee that he was willing to continue as Chairperson for another year and that he had asked Stuart Robinson to become Vice Chairperson, committee to try and find a secretary.

Leaflet Drop – Stuart Robinson informed the committee that he had had no response from the drop as yet. Nick Bass explained that Malcolm Wade had been in touch regarding the Jo Cox Foundation, this has been formed to try to combat loneliness and it was felt that this was something that the committee should be aware of within the community. Nick also intimated that Phil Davis may be willing to return to the committee. Gill Frazer offered to do house to house follow up calls in an effort to gain new members for the committee.

Treasurers Report – John Thomson reported that the accounts sent to OSCR had been returned as, since this was the first submitted account, there could be no starting balance and no previous year's figures. The starting balance had therefore to be shown as income for the year. Meanwhile water charges will have to be paid as charity status is not recognised until accounts are confirmed. It was also reported that the lease on the sub station is due for renewal currently set at £300 per annum paid in advance, the committee agreed to contact the solicitors with a view to receiving £400 per annum at best or a £350 alternative.

Deposit Account £15,821.09

Current Account £ 2,705.34

Cash £ 274.26

Property Convenors Report

! Hanging baskets and planters been done.

! Broken chair removed but metal work retained.

A.O.B.

Graham Anderson reported on correspondence received by the Community Council about 'Fly the Red Ensign' day on 3rd September in order to recognise the Merchant Navy, a worthwhile activity but it was noted that the hall has no flagpole.

Gill Frazer enquired about the table tennis equipment, this is not being made use of at the moment.

Date of Next Meeting – A.G.M. 25th September, 2017 , 7.30pm