

Minutes of meeting held at
Hillstown Village Hall
7th July 2021

Present: Peter Coombs (Chair)
Jean Hassall (Treasurer)
Jen Sykes (Membership Secretary)
Gary Hewitt (Secretary)
Gwen Webster (Marketing and Publicity)
Wendy Lines

Guest Dr Geoff Cutts (Web Master)

All members of the committee were present.

Peter opened the meeting and welcomed Dr Geoff Cutts.

We discussed the website with Geoff. It was agreed that the website needed work to make it more user friendly and reduce duplicated or overlapping sections. We agreed to retire the Facebook page until such time we find a member to operate it.

Geoff will liaise with the committee on the changes. The Committee to create a communications sub group to oversee all aspects of communication with members and Joe Public.

All incoming email communication to go through Bolu3a and be available to the committee and be auto directed to responsible persons.

This item is ongoing and to be updated as the situation develops.

Minutes of the meeting 19th May were agreed and signed. No matters arising.

It was agreed to co-opt 2 members who wish to join the committee. Peter will contact 2 members and invite them to join the committee.

Under the constitution we will can co-opt 3 (one position being already filled). If more members come forward they will have to be elected as a special meeting, which can be added to the normal monthly meeting.

Chair Report.

Peter expressed thanks to the committee for their attendance and work.

He like the rest of us is looking forward to the further easing of lockdown and hopes that our planned Monthly meeting on the 21st July will go ahead as expected.

Peter raised the possibility of advertising in 'So Bolsover' or perhaps 'Inside Chesterfield'. No decision was taken.

Secretary Report.

Gary was having difficulty with updating the committee members details at National Office, but hopes to resolve this situation soon.

Treasurer Report.

Jean said our funds are healthy.

We have been notified that we have been successful in a grant application. Jean will open a sub account to keep and records (for 7 years) of how the grant is spent.

A separate meeting to clarify how the funds can be spent according to the terms of the grant will be held once we have the full details.

Charging for membership will commence next year at the A.G.M.

The cost of room hire will need review.

Membership Secretary Report

It was agreed to ask Kevin to order the new membership cards and to trial using membership numbering and review next year. The cards will be handed with membership renewal at the A.G.M next year.

We will continue to compile and hand out new member packs.

Group co-ordinator Report.

Some groups are already resuming (according to Govt. guidelines)

The Diary is starting to fill and there is the prospect of a new venue over at the Bowling Pavilion.

Monthly Meeting 21/7/21

It was agreed Gwen, Wendy and Jen purchase biscuits (covered covid safe) for the event and ask Sheila Fox if she would be happy to help with coffee, tea and squash(Gwen to organise). Hillstown have offered us polystyrene cups, paper plates and serviettes, currently in the pavilion.

Committee members and Group Leaders need to be visible at the event to encourage member involvement.

Ask Kevin to help with lanyards and laminated group signs.

Gwen has volunteered to run the raffle but will need help.

Newsletter to be printed asap with diary and hard copies available and possibly to include a screenshot of the website.

It was agreed to ask Kevin to purchase a suitable memory stick for back up storage of email addresses etc.