MISSON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



Minutes of the meeting held on 16th October 2019 at 7.00pm

Committee Members present:

Jan Robey; Spencer Robey; Lizzy Clifton; Wendy Threlkeld; Reg Threlkeld; Sue Howard; Ann Beacham; Ian Cotterhill;

Others present:

Brenda Lindley; Liz Rowe; Pat Swift; Andrea Wilcox

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mandy Walker; Ben Ryland. In the absence of Mandy W, Reg T, Vice-Chair, to chair the meeting.

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING OF 18th September 2019 (previously circulated by email)

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES 18th September (not covered elsewhere on Agenda)

Three pictures for heritage wall yet to be reframed. This item to be carried forward in Mandy W absence. **ACTION: To be carried forward**

Ben to get a quote for the attic to be insulated. ACTION: This item c/fwd as Ben R absent

Spencer R informed has written to all Users re the new heating control. and diagram has been put on the wall.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT (previously circulated by email)

Spencer R presented his report with an alteration to one figure quoted in error. Expenditure - BT 02/19 shown as £120.00 should have read £124.46. The report was accepted. There were no questions.

5. BOOKINGS

5.1 Future Bookings

Jan R reported on future bookings up until Friday 22nd November. Jan R informed that Art Group were taking a break during the winter months and to restart in March.

The private hire of the small room on Tuesday/Friday's has been cancelled due to the hirer moving house to Retford.

Ann B said she had been asked about hiring the hall for dance practice. She will ask the prospective hirer to contact Jan R.

ACTION: Ann B to pass Jan R's details to hirer

5.2 Future Events

Abbeydale Singers Autumn Concert - Saturday 19th October

David H has requested Reg T to open the Community Centre at 7pm and during the interval for anyone wishing to use the facilities. He has also asked for Spencer R to collect money/tickets at the door. Both agreed to do so. Refreshments are being provided in the Church.

Recycling talk by Bassetlaw District Council - Wednesday 23rd October

All organised - 7-8.30pm Tea/Biscuits in interval. Wendy T said she had received very little response, despite various avenues of advertising.

ACTION: Sue H to pin the event to the top of Facebook page

Village Autumn clean up - Saturday 9th November

All organised.

Christmas with Steptoe & Son - Saturday 23rd November

Wendy T informed that the Hambledon Productions posters are ready to go up as well as the 'verge boards'. 40 tickets have been printed and Wendy T distributed some to those present. The cost of the Company is £450 and they will arrive at 3pm on Saturday 23rd. Wendy T will be providing a raffle & refreshments for the evening.

Village Pantomime - 11th & 12th January 2020

Ann B said that she had spoken to Sharon Constantine who will help with the children singing. It was thought that the content of the song was unsuitable for children and that it would need to be rewritten to make appropriate.

Karen Watt had offered to do the scenery. Casting to be confirmed.

VE Day 75th Anniversary - 8th May 2020

Ian C reported back on the meeting held on 9th October outlining events during the day/evening of 8th May. Gary K (MMC) did not think it should be celebratory as it was glorifying war. Others said it should be celebratory to thank all those who died during WW wars. Money from MMC had not been agreed and the MCA need to know how much the PC were willing to contribute and also how much physical help they could give.

The price of the marquee had come in below the expected price.

Sandra Stansfield had been asked by Liz Rowe if she could help as she has a lot of experience with WW2 reenactment. Liz R said that Sandra is willing to help by giving information, but did not want to join the committee. Jan R reported that Marion Hoskin will help with the children's games.

6. COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Spencer R informed that the PC have decided to get a cut Christmas tree and not a rooted one. PC will organise lights. Spencer R said we had pledged £200 for a rooted tree and asked the Committee if we should pay for the cut tree. The tree is to be put in the middle of the green and it was suggested that we ask PC to obtain a 'substantial sized' tree. Andrea W suggested we go to the next PC meeting.

After much discussion the proposal was to pay for the christmas tree for this year only. All agreed.

PC are planning the village tree lighting for Saturday 30th November just before our Christmas Fayre.

7. COMMUNITY CENTRE

7.1 Lease

After the joint meeting of MCA and PC sub-committees on 22nd August, there has been no further meeting to discuss proposed lease. It was advised that the PC had already submitted the lease to solicitors for a first draft.

Andrea W was asked if she knew why the PC were reducing the de minimis amount to £200 from the previously suggested figure of £400. All agreed that this was too low - a figure of £1,000 was deemed more acceptable. PC to be asked to explain this change in procedure and how it would be managed.

The 3 month notice period to end the lease was also considered to short - 6 months was thought to be a better period.

Pre School garden and garage, whilst within the boundary of the centre was not the responsibility of the MCA and this should be made clear in the lease. Clause to say that garden and garage responsibilities revert back to MCA should Pre school close or move.

It was agreed that MCA would get legal advice once draft lease received.

7.2 Sound and Projection systems

ACTION: This item is ongoing. Therefore Carried Forward.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Spencer R had been asked if he would be willing to stand as Trustee to MCA. After consideration he said he would. Therefore Reg Threlkeld proposed Spencer R as Trustee and Ian C seconded, all agreed. Spencer R to make the necessary changes to the Charity commission website.

Spencer R reported on the presentation made by Simon Middlebrook at the last PC meeting. They have apparently not yet gone out to tender for the remaining works required and are not likely to meet the April deadline as they are waiting for the outcome of Brexit. It is vitally important to complain to BDC and also send copy to District Counsellor Mark Watson.

Lizzy C mentioned the christmas tree in the church. Jan R said she had spoken to Liz Smith and agreed on behalf of MCA to have a lighted tree again this year. Jan R said she and Wendy had decorated the tree last year and would someone else like to do it this year. It didn't necessarily need a theme - just decorate would be acceptable. Lizzy C and Sue H offered. All agreed.

ACTION: Lizzy C and Sue H to decorate tree in church this year

Brenda L apologised that she had not mentioned to the Committee that Catherine Bartlett had produced the Scarecrow trail leaflet. Jan R suggested we recompense her but Brenda L said Catherine did not want to be reimbursed as it was her contribution to the community.

ACTION: Jan R to write a 'thank you' to Catherine

Lizzy C asked if she could purchase 24 bottles of Mulled Wine for the Christmas Fayre together with mince pies. Jan R asked if Lizzy wanted any homemade mince pies and Lizzy said yes. Lizzy C also asked if she could purchase some new christmas decorations for the hall. This was agreed with a maximum of £200. Jan R suggested we look at existing decorations first to see what is required.

ACTION: Pat S and Lizzy C to look at existing decorations on Book Swap day on 2nd November Lizzy C to purchase mulled wine and minced pies

Brenda L mentioned the quilt that Thimbles are making for the MCA to raffle. The material alone cost £80 plus the work that has gone into it. Retail cost would be approximately £350. Thanks go to the ladies at Thimbles and especially to Liz Rowe.

Jan R had received a phone call from someone living in Misson Springs wanting to join the 100+ Club as she had read about it in Bawtry Today. She also remarked on the Scarecrows and the fact that a lot was going on in the village. It was agreed that it was nice to receive positive feedback.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

None other than already mentioned.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Wednesday 20th November 2019

The meeting finished at 8.30pm.