MISSON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



Minutes of the meeting held on 18th September 2019 at 7.00pm

Committee Members present:

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

Others present:

Brenda Lindley; Joan Challoner; Pat Swift

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

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

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING OF 21st August 2019 (previously circulated by email)

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES 21st August (not covered elsewhere on Agenda)

Spencer R has emailed 100+ Club members for permission to be included in a WhatsApp group. There was only one person who did not wish to be included. A list has been passed to Ben R to set up the group. When messages are sent, members will be blind copied.

ACTION: Ben R to set up group

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 R advised that grants for insulation only seemed to apply to private residences. He would therefore get a quote for the attic to be insulated.

ACTION: Ben R to get insulation quote

Spencer R has purchased a plastic strip door to go in the small porch leading to the car park.

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

Spencer R went through finances to-date. Although funds would be sought from various sources, the VE Celebrations could possibly cost the MCA £2K.

5. BOOKINGS

5.1 <u>Future Bookings</u>

No extra bookings to report. Jan R reminded of Linda Csipke booking on Saturday 28th September. £10 fee (charity event) and TENs have been received.

5.2 Review of Village Show/Scarecrows/Auction

People who helped at the show gave feedback.

- Review classes
- ◆ Some thought there was too much going on for one weekend, with Duck Race as well
- ◆ Others thought it worked well, bringing people from outside the village.
- ♦ Brenda L thought having the church open was a good idea. She said James Wood was a good ambassador for the church and the refreshments did well.

There were 39 scarecrows with families walking around on the Sunday also. Brenda had already thought about a theme for next year - 'Historical Figures'.

Brenda was thanked for organising the Scarecrow event.

Jan R pointed out that she had been told that the WI stall in the Community Centre did not do very well.

Ann B said that communication was sadly lacking on Sunday re times to transport goods for the Auction. This was a last minute change by the White Horse as diners were still eating. Also, there was no marquee. However, the Auction was thought to be very successful with bids going higher without any coercion whatsoever.

ACTION: To have further feedback from all concerned

5.3 Future Events

Recycling talk by Bassetlaw District Council - Wednesday 23rd October

All organised - 7-8.30pm Tea/Biscuits in interval.

Village Autumn clean up - Saturday 9th November

All organised.

Christmas with Steptoe & Son - Saturday 23rd November

Wendy T has received flyers from Hambledon Productions and will make posters for the village. Tickets will be given to the Committee to sell from first week in October. Performance suitable for 16+. Tickets £10 each.

Village Pantomime - 11th & 12th January 2020

A fantastic turn-out for the Auditions held on 12th September which we need to build on. Most of the cast have been decided upon. Although there are few parts and they are for adults, there will be a choir for the children and other 'prop work' for them. If the Pantomime is successful, then we could think out putting on a larger one, with more parts the following year. Thimbles will be available for advice on costumes.

Ann B advised that people had come forward with offers of help with costume and make up.

VE Day 75th Anniversary - 8th May 2020

Next meeting is 9th October with all groups having been invited. Sue H went to a 1940's day at Sandtoft Airfield to get ideas. There was a WW2 reenactment group who would charge £200 for an overnight stay, to camp on the village green - this to be investigated.

Bi-plane was mentioned - if a wing walker was needed, although a couple of people had already shown an interest, it was suggested that those interested, buy a raffle ticket and all names put in a 'hat' for a draw. This was thought to be a good idea.

ACTION: Spencer R to talk to Mandy W re wing walker

Abbeydale Singers Autumn Concert - Saturday 19th October

Jan R explained that the singers would be using the Community Centre to change ready for the Concert. Refreshments of some kind were to be offered before the performance. The Church would be organising refreshments at the interval. Tickets are £10 each from David Hobson and Anne Rowe. Proceeds will be split between the Church and MCA.

ACTION: Jan R to obtain more information on requirements

6. COMMUNITY PROJECTS

To be carried forward to next meeting.

7. COMMUNITY CENTRE

7.1 Lease - The MCA sub-committee and PC sub-committee met on 22nd August to discuss proposed lease. Copy of the meeting minutes was sent via Jan R to all Committee Members.

Talked through the minutes with following comments:

- Length of lease all agreed with minimum of ten years this would allow more chance of obtaining grants.
- ◆ Agreed that it might be feasible for a de mimimis limit be set, over which work should be discussed and approved by the MPC prior to MCA instigating the work. It was however, agreed that the level of £400 was too low and a figure nearer £1000 more acceptable.

- ◆ It needs to be noted in the lease that the garden area to the rear of the Centre was taken over and is maintained by Misson Pre-school. MPS have to reinstate it if they were to leave the centre. Likewise their garage.
- ♦ Insurance who will be responsible for obtaining insurance quotes? It was noted that we are already tied in for 3 years from May 2019.
- ♦ It was queried as to why there should be a formal review on an annual basis.
- ◆ It was agreed that Ian C and Sue H would take these comments to the next Lease Renewal meeting and await draft lease and perhaps ask Andrew Cameron (Solicitor) to peruse for guidance on behalf of MCA.

7.2 Heating - Spencer R has said that it was imperative that Users let Jan R know when they are not going to use the hall. This enables Spencer R or Ben R to alter the times of the heating, thus saving on fuel. Brenda L said that at Line Dancing they wanted to turn the heating up but was not sure how to do it. Spencer R said he would put a diagram with controls next to the thermostat.

ACTION: Spencer R to write to all Users re hall use Spencer R to put diagram next to thermostat

7.3 Sound system - Spencer R has not seen Howard Saul to ask to try out his amplifier. Reg T said he had some speakers that he could try to see if it improved the sound. Reg T informed that he had not heard back from any companies re hearing loop.

ACTION: Reg T to test out his speakers in the hall and obtain further information re loop

7.4 Building works - Spencer R advised that he had now received 4 quotes for renovating the main hall floor. The favoured company, B.W. Flooring, cost £995 + VAT, have been used by Mount Pleasant Hotel for many years. Spencer R has received confirmation from Richard McIlroy that he has been very happy with this company. As per minutes of 21st August, this has already been agreed to go ahead.

ACTION: Spencer R to book B W Flooring - possibly February half term or Easter

Spencer R also advised that he had spoken to Anthony Casey re installing movement sensors in the 3 toilets to control the lights. This was needed as the lights had been left on several times and are also switched on regardless of them being used. Again Anthony C will install free of charge. All agreed.

ACTION: Spencer R to liaise with Anthony C

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Spencer R pointed out that posters on telegraph poles were becoming a problem and asked for people to help in taking expired ones down straight after the event. As this is not solely an MCA problem, it was agreed to put a message on Facebook.

ACTION: Sue H to put on Facebook

Jan R asked if the Book Swap was going ahead on Saturday 5th October. Lizzy C, Joan C and Pat S, all said it would.

ACTION: Sue H to put on Facebook

Wendy T enquired as to whether the Treasure Hunt would be going ahead. It was suggested we hold an Easter egg hunt on Easter Sunday, 12th April. It was pointed out that the VE Celebrations would be just 4 weeks after that date. Brenda L offered to help organise. This item to be discussed further.

ACTION: Brenda L to give her thoughts. If we go ahead, date to be decided

Reg T asked how successful the tabletop sales had been in the past. Consensus was that they worked really well. As we already have lots of events to organise, this would be something to consider for the future.

ACTION: Keep in mind for future

9. CORRESPONDENCE

None other than already mentioned.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Wednesday 16th October 2019

The meeting finished at 8.23pm.