MISSON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



Minutes of the meeting held on 19th June 2019 at 7.00pm

Committee Members present:

Amanda Walker; Jan Robey; Spencer Robey; Lizzy Clifton; Sue Howard; Ben Ryland

Others present:

Brenda Lindley; George Findley; Andrea Wilcox

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Pat Swift; Wendy & Reg Threlkeld; Joan Challoner; Ann Beacham; Ian Cotterhill

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING OF 22nd May 2019 (previously circulated by email)

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed.

3. 3.1 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES 17th April (not covered elsewhere on Agenda)

Lizzy C has received a telephone number from her contact, but this was incorrect. She is waiting to hear back.

ACTION: Lizzy C to chase up

Book swap Cabinet - Ben R reported that due to the cost involved, it would not be worth pursuing.

Emergency Tradesmen list - Spencer R has yet to complete this. Ben R suggested a Maintenance Contract but Sue H pointed out that even with a contract it is hard to get anyone to come out immediately. Spencer R said that there is a list on the board of Committee Members to contact in case of an emergency. Sue H has details of a heating engineer and would pass to Spencer

ACTION: Spencer to report back when list is complete. If anybody has any suitable trade contacts, to pass these to Spencer

IT and WhatsApp - Ben said a good way of reaching more people was via WhatsApp. A group could be set up using residents mobile numbers. Sue H also suggested Messenger where 4 or 5 could be 'Admin' to send messages.

ACTION: Spencer R to send an email to all those in 100+ club, for their permission for their mobile numbers to be added to a WhatsApp group

Cycle Proficiency - Ben R informed that Cycle Proficiency do not teach the age we wanted, Yr 2 upwards but could do a one day option and an advanced group for older children. It was suggested that the Community Police might be able to help.

ACTION: Andrea W to contact the Community Police to see the possibility of running a Cycle Proficiency Course

Indoor Bowls - Ben R said the mats used for Indoor Bowls were very large and needed to be rolled and stored in the hall. As this was not possible it was decided not to pursue.

Gin Tasting - As there are a lot of forthcoming events, it was decided to wait until next year to discuss again. **ACTION: Ben R to bring to notice in the new year**

3.2 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF 22ND MAY (not covered elsewhere on Agenda)

There were no matters arising.

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

Spencer R presented his report. He advised that he would in future be asking for any questions needing detailed explanation to be sent before the meeting.

He also explained how we have saved over 1000kwh since the LED lights had been installed. Because cost of kWh units had increased the saving equated to £100. Our Direct Debit was being reduced to £38 pm.

He then advised on the problems he was having with Nat West Bank and getting the mandate changed to reflect the change in Committee. He had made an official complaint and because they realised they had not acted professionally, they had transferred £100 into our account as compensation.

5. BOOKINGS

5.1 Future Bookings

Jan R informed that there were no additional bookings that have not previously been reported.

5.2 <u>Future Events</u>

Book Swap - It had been agreed to hold the Book Swap/Coffee Morning on Saturday 6th July but to have a break during August. It will start again in September.

Hanson UK Newington Quarry Site Tour - Jan R has received 2 possible dates from John Ingham re the walk and has provisionally booked Tuesday 23rd July as this was the more suitable date. It was agreed to go ahead.

ACTION: Jan R to confirm date with Hanson Uk and give details for Sue H to put on Facebook

<u>Village Show</u> - Mandy W informed that Spencer R had arranged for the printing of the Programme, to be done together with that of the Parish Council Newsletter No.1. These had now both been distributed to all in the Parish.

True Fate Equestrian Centre were interested in making a Scarecrow and wanted to know where this could be displayed. Brenda L said the best place was on the Village Green.

Brenda L suggested that a photocopy of the cover of the chosen book to go next to each scarecrow for ease of identification. Brenda L also suggested that the people vote for the best scarecrow. All agreed.

ACTION: Mandy W to give contact details of True Fate to Brenda L

Mandy W had received a copy of last year's 'Tasks to do' list from Jan R. This needs to be altered for this year.

ACTION: Jan & Spencer R to re-do tasks list as far as is possible

Spencer R has spoken to both Michael B and Gary K re toning down the bidding at the Auction. It was agreed not to have a maximum bid.

It has been agreed for the Church to be open and have a cake and refreshments stall. The Church could also be used for exhibits if extra spaces was needed. The same rules would apply i.e. not open to the public until after judging.

Refreshments for those involved on the day, would still be available in the Community Centre.

<u>Steptoe & Son</u> - As the production company had a vehicle breakdown, they have not been to see the hall yet. This will be rearranged to enable us to know what their requirements are. **ACTION: Wendy T to pursue** <u>Christmas Fayre</u> - It was agreed that as per last year, we would not charge stallholders a fee. It was also agreed to keep to the same open times as last year. Set up on Friday. Brenda L agreed, on behalf of Thimbles, to have a quilt made, to raffle.

<u>65+ Christmas Meal</u> - This has been confirmed for 18th December in The White Horse and funding to be requested from BDC and Parish Council. MCA to buy a small gift. If those present know of anyone eligible, who would like to come, please let Jan R know.

<u>Village Pantomime</u> - Mandy passed the cast list around. Ann B will audition people.

It was asked if Thimbles could help with the costumes. Brenda L agreed to help with costumes. There will be 2 performances, Saturday 11th January, in the evening and Sunday 12th January, matinee. To be held in the Community Centre with approximately 50-60 people. Cost to be decided.

A leaflet/flyer with our forthcoming events to be distributed in September.

Misson Feast 2020

Spencer reported that Sue H, Ian C and himself had a very productive meeting and had outlined ideas for the day. However, as there are to be nationwide celebrations for the 75th Anniversary of VE Day in 2020, with the May Bank Holiday being moved from Monday 4th May to Friday 8th May, it was agreed to postpone the Feast until 2021.

Spencer R was waiting to hear from Jessica Brett as to whether she would be available to sing on Friday 8th May. It would also be good to book other musicians. Andrea knew of a 1940's expert, Karen Hartshorn and suggested she contact her for information. It was agreed that the MCA would offer support to the PC for the event.

ACTION: Andrea to contact Karen Hartshorn

5.3 Suggested Events for the future

<u>A Bit of a Do</u> - It was decided not to pursue at this time but keep in mind for the future.

6. COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Mandy W wanted to pursue the suggested Project 2020 with the aim of raising £2000 to buy 20 trees to plant in the village. It was thought that rather than the MCA pay for all of the trees, others could donate a tree or sponsor a tree.

ACTION: To be discussed further

School Playground

Mandy W wanted the MCA to take the lead on a collaborative effort for a Playground on the Primary School premises for general use. This would cost in the region of 20-30K. Spencer R suggested that the front playground could be adapted for this use as it was unclear whether the school were willing to lose some of their field. Brenda L pointed out there would be Health & Safety issues on ongoing Maintenance. Some members were not happy with the MCA taking the lead. Mandy W will talk to the Headteacher. **ACTION: Mandy W to meet with the Headteacher**

7. COMMUNITY CENTRE

7.1 Security - Spencer R informed that Anthony Casey will be installing another outside light to the rear of the building on Friday.

Jan R has printed and laminated the sign re 'No money on premises' and this is now on the front window besides the front door.

7.2 Lease - The lease had been extended until end of September 2019. Agreed to wait to hear from PC after they had talked to solicitors.

7.3 Heating - Spencer R was waiting to hear from a company as to the cost of installation of a new controller. He has not heard back. Spencer R will see Anthony Casey on Friday to ask if is is something he could do and how much it would cost.

ACTION: Spencer R to speak to Anthony Casey

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

George Findlay raised the issue of rats. He advised that a house on Gibdyke which was now empty was running alive with rats. A real problem in the village at present. **ACTION: Andrea W to talk to Mark Watson, District Councillor**

It was asked when the pictures might be going back up in the Main Hall and Peter Wilde room. When, where and which ones, was still to be decided.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

None other than already mentioned.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Wednesday 17th July 2019

The meeting finished at 8.35pm.