

**EGERTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Games Barn sub-Committee**

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Games Barn Sub-Committee held on Tuesday 26 March 2013  
held in the Sports Pavilion at 8.00pm**

**Present:** Bill Smyth (Chairman), Sylvia Homewood, Len Lawrence, Tim Oliver, and Heather James (Parish Clerk, Games Barn Secretary & Treasurer). No members of the public were present.

**Apologies:** Sue Palmer, Lois Tilden, Rayner Missing did not attend no apology.

Chairman Bill Smyth welcomed all present. There were no declarations of interest.

1. **Minutes of Last AGM 29 May 2012:** The minutes were approved and signed as a true record of the proceedings. **Proposed: Tim Oliver; seconded Sylvia Homewood**

2. **Matters arising from the meeting on 29 May 2012**

**Grant/Pre-school:** Bill Smyth reminded the committee that the Games Barn received £3,000 as a KCC grant which was arranged to allow the Games Barn to make alterations to accommodate the Pre-school. However, it has become more likely that the pre-school will move to the primary school so the grant funds may need to be moved to support this eventuality.

It was agreed that the £3,000 grant money would be ring-fenced but kept in the Games Barn current account for now.

3. **Accounts**

A full set of accounts will be made available after the end of the financial year, 31 March 2013.

Both deposit and current accounts show healthy balances of £5,696.61 and £6,734.43 as at 1 March 2013 respectively. These balances reflect the £3,000 grant received. Some refurbishment of the Games Barn was discussed.

The deposit account received £3.41 in interest for the year.

**The accounts were proposed by Len Lawrence, seconded Sylvia Homewood.**

4. **Chairman's report:**

Bill Smyth is pleased to report that the revenue of the Games Barn remains very good. We continue to enjoy the support of the Pilates and Zumba classes in addition there has been an increase in the number of villagers using the Games Barn for Badminton and youth football.

Sadly the hopeful use by 'Socatots' failed to take off, this Bill believes was not the fault of the village but was more down to the timing of the events. As previously stated the youth football team in the village has seen considerable growth throughout the year but at a time more suitable to the need of the players than the concept from ABC.

As most will know there was a short period when it was hoped that the pre-school would relocate to the Games Barn allowing the Village Hall to be freed up. Part of the plan included a grant secured by Richard King of £3000 towards any costs involved with the alterations etc. to the present building. It has now been decided that the pre-school will relocate to the Village school allowing for a wider range of facilities within the school.

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As a result it has been agreed to repay the grant to the committee responsible for the work which will be required to be carried out to the new room in the school. This money, which sits in the Games Barn accounts, will only be repaid once the work begins.

2012 saw change in the cleaning arrangements for the Games Barn. For many years Len and Jan carried out the sterling task of keeping the building clean, but with the march of time it was agreed that we should hand the responsibilities to a much younger person and the arrangements have been taken up by Hannah Swift who continues the weekly role of maintaining the high standard set by the previous team.

Lastly as you all know, at the last AGM I introduced Claire Finley to the committee as the new Clerk to the Parish Council. For various reasons Claire chose to move back to a more full time role in the city, as a result Heather James, who all of you know, has taken up the post, as such she also takes on the duties of Clerk to the Games Barn committee. Let us hope that Heather remains a valued member of the committee for many years to come.

5. **Election of Officers:** It was proposed by Tim Oliver, seconded by Sylvia Homewood, that Bill Smyth be re-elected Chairman. No other nominations were received. He duly accepted. Tim Oliver thanked Bill and Joan Smyth for their work to make the Games Barn so successful .

6. **Correspondence:** None

7. **Any Other Business:**

**Heater Service:** It was noted that Gibbins who serviced the heater previously had gone out of business, Bill is trying to find another company to carry out the work. **Action: Bill Smyth**

**Fees and Charges:** Following a meeting with auditor David Buckett The Clerk raised the question whether the fees had been reviewed. It was agreed the fees should remain unchanged at this time due to the financial restraints on many people. It was agreed that raising the prices might deter people attending the classes.

*The meeting closed at 8.20pm.*

*Signed.....*

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