

Minutes of the Stamfordham Village Hall & Playing Field Annual General Meeting held at Stamfordham Village Hall on Thursday 22nd July 2021

Present: Ash Dias, Edward Trevelyan, Sue Noble, Linda Boylan, Sally Hutt, Gill Blissett, Charlotte Hancock, Tom Henderson, Peter Reynolds, Ian Lawson.

1. Apologies for Absence: Sue Parker, Steve Reed, Pat Nichols, Caroline Reynolds, Rich Hunton.

2. Minutes of the last Meeting: The minutes of the last AGM held on 23rd July 2020 had been circulated by email, taken as read and were agreed as a true record.

3. Matters Arising:

Dogs on the Playing Field: This seems to have been resolved.

Fund Raising Bricks at the Pavilion: The missing bricks which had been brought to the attention of the trustees at the last AGM have been identified and are now part of the donation brick wall at the pavilion. Thanks to GB for sorting this out and to Graham Herford for doing the necessary work.

4. Annual Report and Accounts:

Copies of the Annual Report and Annual Accounts had been circulated by email and received by all those present at the AGM. There were no paper copies available at the meeting because of the potential Covid-19 transmission risk.

a) Chairman's Report: The Chairman's Annual Report was taken as read as all people present at the AGM had received a copy by email.

b) Treasurers Report: The Treasurer's report was also taken as read. The accounts have been independently examined by Ian Clements. As he does this work without charge, a token of appreciation will be organised by ET. The latest balance in the accounts is £52,716.66 including £1,245.62 gift aid refund from HMRC received a few days ago.

There were no questions about the accounts.

Acceptance of Annual Report and Accounts: Proposed by Peter Reynolds, seconded by Gill Blissett and those present agreed unanimously.

5. Election of Four Committee Members and Representative Members:

It was proposed by GB and seconded by CH that Stamfordham Primary School should have a representative on the committee. This was put to the meeting and all were in favour. Ash Dias was nominated by CH and seconded by PR. All at the meeting agreed.

Only 3 people at the meeting were available for election leaving one position vacant for the time being. Three committee members were elected as follows:

Tom Henderson	Proposed by Charlotte Hancock	Seconded by Peter Reynolds
Linda Boylan	Proposed by Charlotte Hancock	Seconded by Peter Reynolds
Sue Noble	Proposed by Charlotte Hancock	Seconded by Peter Reynolds

All present unanimously agreed.

The following Representative Members had been proposed by their organisations:

Bowls Club	Peter Reynolds
Cricket Club	Vacant
Church on the Green	Pat Nichol
Crafty Reivers	Sally Hutt
Football Club	Gill Blissett
Karate Club	Steve Reed
Mums & Toddlers	Susan Goodfellow (until September 21)
Parish Council	Ian Lawson

St Mary's Church
WI
Widdrington Trust
Young Farmers

Charlotte Hancock
Caroline Reynolds
Edward Trevelyan
Vacant

It was unanimously agreed that all the above representatives be committee members and thereby trustees of the charity.

6. Appointment of an Auditor/Independent Examiner:

It was agreed by all present that Ian Clements should be asked to continue as Independent Examiner.

7. Any Other Business:

Amendment to the Governing Document: During the course of 2020/21 it had become necessary to hold meetings via Zoom. This form of meeting was agreed at each meeting prior to commencement. The Charity Commission advise that an amendment to any Governing Documents that do not specify this as a means of holding a meeting should be amended.

SN read out the following proposed amendment:

Memorandum of Amendment to the Trusts of the charity known as STAMFORDHAM PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE HALL (502613)

The following to be added to the governing documents:

In this Governing Document the expression 'meeting' includes, except where inconsistent with any legal obligation,

- a physical meeting*
- a video conference, an internet video facility or similar electronic method allowing simultaneous visual and audio participation, and*
- telephone conferencing*

Duly signed, as required in the Charity Commission order of the 9th March 2005, by Charlotte Hancock on Thursday 22nd July 2021 chairing an Annual General Meeting of Stamfordham Playing Field & Village Hall, at Stamfordham Village Hall, of which 14 clear days public notice had been given, following unanimous (or minimum of 2/3rd in attendance) approval by the inhabitants of the area of benefit present and voting at the meeting.

Approval was unanimous and the memorandum was signed by CH as chairman at the meeting. SN will submit the memorandum to the Charity Commission for inclusion in Stamfordham Playing Field & Village Hall Governing Documents

Covid-19 – The Future.

Restrictions have now been made advisory rather than a legal requirement by the Government. The village hall and sports pavilion have systems in place to keep people as safe as possible and it was anticipated that anyone using either facility in the foreseeable future would be asked to continue to use these systems. All Covid 19 notices will stay in place for now. Everyone will be encouraged to wash/sanitise hands and wear a face mask/covering. Cleaning and sanitising regimes will continue after any event and Covid-19 Risk Assessment required beforehand.

There was concern about the short term risks with numbers of cases rising but there are only a few events currently scheduled for August. SH said that Crafty Reivers planned to be meeting in the village hall in their usual slot of the 4th Saturday each month.

Date for next AGM to be agreed.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 19.24.