

## Beare Green Community Association Trustees' Meeting



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**Held 2nd May 2024 – 7:30pm**

### **Welcome & Apologies**

Present: Paul Mott, Chairman and Meeting Secretary, Laura Mott, Trustee/Treasurer and Bookings Secretary, Steve Campbell, Trustee, James Stuart, Trustee, Steve Killick, Trustee, Garry Anstee, Trustee, Yvonne Anstee

Apologies: Linda Horvath, Trustee

### **2. Minutes of March meeting**

Approved.

#### **Actions :**

1. **Set up savings account according to January minutes, Alan and Paul – carried forward**
2. **PAT testing by Tim Howe – carried forward**

### **3. Treasurer's report**

- Current Account - £2,389 as at 19th Mar 2024
- 2nd Account - £44,196 as at 19th Mar 2024
- Petty Cash treasurer £287 plus £302 cinema section plus £872 events section, plus £247 held by Linda to pay window cleaner
- Accounts checker 22/23, retired banker Stephen Lloyd, has agreed to repeat this for 2023/24 financial year.

### **4. Bookings**

Nothing new to report

### **5. Cinema report**

- Steve reported a fair turnout for the showing of Wonka on Saturday.
- Sat 13th April : "One Life" (The true story of Sir Nicholas 'Nicky' Winton, a young London broker who, in the months leading up to World War II, rescued 669 predominantly Jewish children).
- Films from April second saturday of the month, order not yet known, will be Wicked Little Letters, The Colour Purple, Poor Little Thing and The Holdovers

### **6. Maintenance**

- Fallen tree by pond has been dealt with by 1. MVDC just to clear the path, and then its remains that were left in pond and adjacent the path were dealt with by the local tree surgeon arranged by Steve Killick
  - Failing door panel on fire exit (outside surface) : **Alan has prompted Dorking Glass again yesterday as they have agreed to replace it.**
  - Alan has collected small sandbags and placed in plant room for gazebo legs
  - We will get out the gazebos, test, and throw away/replace broken ones. James is researching leg weights which are critical.
- Alan who couldn't be with us also reported via correspondence of his learnings from a home maintenance and building trade show that he goes to. Paul has given him some observations on his useful notes and encourages others to read the notes and feedback likewise. We certainly do need to replace the failing delaminating wooden plywood cladding on side of hall just before fascia. Paul has found plastic cladding sheets for sale, that would be easier for Sid to cut to size; Alan has found metal ones at the show. Paul is worried that the metal ones might be harder to cut to size ?
  - Forthcoming MVDC green grant for village halls (total £100k) will open end March for applications by mid May. Vital to have an EPC before applying, so Paul ordered one already (last one was 2004). Suggestion : apply for support for solar panels to reduce our electricity bill which, after £2668 charger income, was a net electricity cost over the last 12 months of £5174 (Paul remarked that this is why he fusses if users ever appear to be using radiants preferentially over the heat pumps !). Paul has applied for a solar quote already, the firm LR Renewables (Luke Green) will come to assess the job and advice on sizing (and will prepare a quote for the village shop at the same time). They have a good reputation and are also competitive in price. The date of the EPC assessment is not yet known.

## 7. Events

Re: 9<sup>th</sup> March Jumble Sale, 13:00 to 15:00, this new timeslot for jumble worked well and will at Laura's suggestion be kept for our next jumble on Sat 28<sup>th</sup> September 2024.

Re : 6<sup>th</sup> July for fun day (12:00 – 16:00), James Brown will again run the barbeque. Nelson Porter is booked for the band. Laura is already booking in stalls, she has 7 already, Steve Campbell is taking a cash payment from two more tomorrow and Laura is reaching out to a face painter and to Codie's Waffles. James is negotiating with a flower arranger from Ockley re : a stall. He is also arranging potentially for a children's petting zoo to bring some animals to advertise their attraction, possibly also a fire engine or the police.

Steve Killick plans a learn to fish demonstration, possibly also with a competition to enhance engagement, as an event on fun day to promote fishing and will need one table.

Laura plans to fill her car with balloons, park it in a prominent position at the event, and have a count the balloon (guess) competition.

For fun day we need to reach out to the Chair or Vice Chair of MVDC to see if they would open the fair again, action Laura/Paul to do this

It is hoped that Alan might review the risk assessment we did last year, and reach out to the council to pay the £70 or so site licence to use the park.

Paul will write to the insurer ahead of renewal to make sure the bouncy castle operated by us is in the main policy and not just a side letter as was issued last year at his request.

### **8. Any Other Business**

Paul has just ordered a new tea urn, 20 litres, with good handles, brand new, by Swan, at a 20% discount at Steve B's request to replace the failing one. The new one is only 2.2 kW not 3, in line with new regs, so it won't give a scorched plug risk from a nearly-melting fuse. *(old one was 3 kW which for sustained power draw from something bigger than a kettle, is deprecated these days as the plug can scorch if it's filled with cold)*. Steve B has mended the kettle in the kitchenette, it needed a new fuse but will now be PAT tested at the next batch of testing.

**9. Date of AGM :** Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July '24 6:30pm.

### **10. Date of next meeting**

Next meeting: Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> May '24 7:30. (Note : polling station is using main hall only and has confirmed it is not paying to hire small hall and is well aware that other users may therefore hire it, and is content with that situation. As it's us, we can use the direct exterior door of front hall anyway and avoid confusing any "tellers" if they've been allowed into the vestibule).

### SUMMARY OF FORWARD DATES :

- Special constitution review meeting 10<sup>th</sup> May
- Next meeting: 20 June '24 7:30
- Wrestling (BGCA bar) June tbc (Laura, exact date please)
- 6th July : fun day 12:00 to 16:00
- AGM Friday 12th July 6:30pm
- Jumble sale is set for 28th September 13:00 to 15:00
- 7th December Christmas Market 12:00 to 16:00