The Davis Hall, West Camel

Registered Charity Number 1070729
Howell Hill, West Camel, Yeovil, Somerset BA22 7QX

MINUTES of the <u>Annual General Meeting</u> held on Wednesday, 8 June 2022 in the Main Hall at 5.35pm

PRESENT

Chairman: Lena Morgan Secretary: Alison Stevens Treasurer: Kim Bailey

Booking Administrator: Tony Burgess

Mary Gordon; Jenny Down; Peter Agland; Sue Agland; Carol Mellish.

APOLOGIES: Jean Cowan; Denise Gould; John Saunders; Jan MacLellan.

AGM 22:36 MINUTES - of the AGM held on 4 June 2021 as previously circulated, had been approved and signed at the meeting held on 6 August 2021.

AGM 22:37 ANNUAL TRUSTEES' REPORT - having been accepted at the previous meeting, was presented and adopted. A copy would be displayed on the foyer notice board.

AGM 22:38 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT - Lena Morgan started by remarking that 'our doors have been open and the public are once again knocking to get in'. Post Covid things had started slowly as confidence was at an all time low but, week by week our regulars have been returning. Bookings are also increasing for children's parties.

Lena went on to thank Barry and Joel for a 'job well done' regarding the sound and lighting update and improvements. She also mentioned the grants received from the local council to cover the loss of income during the pandemic. This has enabled us to spend on upgrading and maintenance, which already includes new cupboards in the committee room, making good the driveway fencing and other small matters. Replacement chairs and a new front door are also in progress.

A welcome was made to Tony Burgess who had joined us part way through the year as Booking Administrator, and Lisa Sherwood who had taken on the cleaning position. Both are doing an excellent job.

Lena closed by thanking all the 'unpaid heroes who help to keep our hall in good condition and safe for our customers'.

AGM 22:39 TREASURER'S REPORT AND PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

The independently examined accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022 had been presented and approved at the previous meeting and were presented to the meeting.

Kim mentioned things were starting to get back to normal and the year produced a surplus of just over £3k. Bookings income was in the region of £13,500 and further Covid grants received of £3,917. A donation had been received following the closing of the Lunch Club of £3,000, and thanks were passed to Lena and Mary.

The larger expenses included the hall's share of the sound and lighting improvements £6,839, with a further £5,000 being paid by the Community Benefit Fund, for which we are very grateful. The driveway fencing was £1,900, a deposit of the new front doors of £1,200 and £1,000 for the committee room cupboards.

The accounts were unanimously adopted and thanks were made to Kim for her continued support.

1. May 5/05/22

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AGM 22:40 ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

Current Trustees

Chairman: Lena Morgan Vice Chairman: Vacant Secretary: Alison Stevens Treasurer: Kim Bailey

Booking Administrator: Tony Burgess

Representatives

Jenny Down
Carol Mellish
Jean Cowan
Jan MacLellan
Rob Gordon
Sue Agland
Lena Morgan
Peter Agland
Mary Gordon
Jenny Down
John Saunders
Graham Wreford (Founder) TBC

The Lunch Club had sadly had to close during the year so there would no longer be a representative for this.

Alison had taken on the Davis Hall Cinema following the resignation of Rob Gordon. Rob will still continue to organise hall bookings and liaise with Moviola.

All Saints Church and the Methodist Church have now combined as 'Churches Together' and Jenny Down will be their representative.

Thornford Dancers and now the Gould Dancers and Denise Gould will continue as their representative.

Taking into account the above changes the Trustees and representatives were re-elected en bloc as follows:-

Chairman: Lena Morgan
Vice Chairman: Vacant
Secretary: Alison Stevens
Treasurer: Kim Bailey

Bookings Administrator: Tony Burgess

Representatives

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All Saints Church/Methodist Church	Jenny Down	
Art & Craft Group	Carol Mellish	
Camels Short Mat Bowls	Jean Cowan	
Cool Country	Jan MacLellan	
Davis Hall Cinema	Alison Stevens	

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Gardening Club	Sue Agland	
Gould Dancers	Denise Gould	
Model Railway Society	Peter Agland	
Theatre Group	Mary Gordon	
West Camel Parish Council	Jenny Down	
Western Dancers	John Saunders	

All regular hirers are invited to put forward a representative with the very satisfactory result that almost all hirers are represented across a wide variety of interests. There was a short discussion on potentially finding new representatives to increase the numbers. A new regular hirer, Soulful Dove Line Dancing, was discussed but there are some current issues with the payment of invoices so this needs to be settled first.

AGM 22:41 CARETAKING REPORT

Phil Reed is still to return to do the lights and extractor fans. Generally the hall is in good repair.

AGM 22:42 USER GROUP COMMENTS

There were no other comments at this time.

AGM 22:43 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

It was mentioned that Hallmark are not keen on hall committees having a meeting prior to the AGM to accept the Annual Trustees' Report and the Annual Accounts. There was a discussion on the timing of meetings which makes it impractical to do this at our April meeting. It was agreed to try and circulate the reports earlier, say the beginning of May, to give members chance to raise any queries.

Meeting closed at 17:55 hrs.

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