

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Minutes of the Aldwinckle Village Hall

Wednesday 22nd March, 2017 – 8 pm

Present: J Horrell (Chairman)
J Mynors (Secretary)
60 villagers

Apologies: None

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming

Minutes of Annual General Meeting – 26th March 2016

These were read, approved and signed.

Matters Arising

None

Secretary's Report

A report was included in the Agenda that was distributed. Thanks were given to our ex Treasurer (John Gerard-Pearse) who left the accounts in good order. The accounts for last year included £36,000 grant income for our refurbishment and have been audited in line with Charity Commission requirements (can be viewed on Charity Commission website). This year as there is only a small movement of funds they only require a simple summary.

A question was raised regarding figures given in above report and it was confirmed that these were based on last year's accounts and Barclays statement on 27 February 2017.

For 2017/2018 we shall observe the constitutional scheme for the election of committee/trustees. This allows the election of just 3 committee members in addition to the 7 organisation representatives nominated.

Chairman's Remarks

John Horrell apologised unreservedly to the village that under his stewardship it had been subjected to certain unacceptable situations. 'In all the years' I've been the Chairman this has been the most difficult and we need to put measures in place to ensure that it will never happen again'.

He thanked the retirees – John Gerard-Pearse, Grace Chung, Helen Grout, Fenella Muir and the remaining committee members for their support.

He explained that no events had been held due to our difficult situation, and the committee decided not to hold any further meetings until the AGM. Our constitution specifies we only need to hold two meetings between AGMs and we had already had about four meetings.

He thanked Jim Mynors for his enormous contribution especially concerning constitutional issues and for standing in as Secretary and we wish him well for the future.

He was grateful to all members for their support and especially to Bernard Lowe for all the funding he raised to renovate the Village Hall. The Village Hall is all about supporting the village community and is here for everyone and we are open to any ideas you may have.

An email has been circulated (which would be discussed at a separate meeting), making insinuations about the entire Village Hall Committee which is inappropriate and we will be readdressing this. Although Jeff Powell-Muir made a contribution to the installation of the equipment through the refurbishment, his subsequent performance and behaviour has been such that his re-election and continued involvement with the Village Hall would not be in the best interests.

We mourn the sad loss of Ian McLeod (his funeral was today) and send our best wishes to his wife Jill.

Representatives of Village organisations for Committee appointed since 22 Feb 2017

Parochial Church Council:	Marilyn Percy	Flower Show:	Chris Lowe
Parish Council:	Bernard Lowe	Baptist Church:	Keith Helliwell
Friendly Club:	John Percy	WI:	Sue Stamper
Alwincle Pre-School:	Alison Reynolds (withdrew)		

Election of 3 additional Committee members

Nominated to date:	John Horrell	(nom B Lowe)
	Pete Stroh	(nom J Percy)
	Julie O'Connor	(nom M Percy)

There were no other nominations received, all the above were elected and approved by the meeting.

Signing of the Declaration of Willingness

The Declaration was signed by those present.

Meeting ended at 8.25 pm

Refreshments were served.

Meeting after AGM

A short meeting was held to co-opt two additional members - Sue Herbert and Beverly Hankins were co-opted onto the committee.

The following officers were elected:

Chairman	John Horrell	Vice Chair	Pete Stroh
Treasurer	Julie O'Connor	Secretary	Sue Stamper

Date of next meeting: 5.4.17