

Curdrige Reading Room and Recreation Ground Charity

Minutes of meeting on 3rd January 2017

Those attending: Elaine Flower, David Picton-Jones, Sheila McCarty, Ian Hine, Emma Downer.

1. Welcome – Meeting started at 19:36

1.b Roles – All roles agreed to commence 1 January 2017.

Please note – these minutes have been typed to record discussions under the relevant heading and not necessarily in the order in which they were discussed at the meeting.

2. Minutes of last meeting - Signed as correct.

3. Matters Arising from last meeting – all to be discussed in main agenda or through reports submitted prior to meeting.

4. Redevelopment

Meeting took place with Robert Jackson last week to address the suggested cost figure of £1.7m for the redevelopment project. We could scale back the project or find additional resources to tackle this increased value. Robert suggested a possible mortgage from the Parish Council which has been passed to the Parish Clerk to see if this is a viable option. Another option would be to find additional grant funding as well as speaking to Simon Bull to check costings in the quote to see if they line up with what he's expecting. We have heard that there is a chance that land in the village is being gifted to be used for social housing – David to check with Kevan about the likelihood of this and the impact of two planning proposals being in place at the same time within the village.

We are concerned that the overall costs of the project are creeping closer to £2million which would make the redevelopment no longer viable. Elaine has found details of 'flat pack' village halls which has given us an alternative option to think about should we need it. We are waiting for feedback from Simon and a date to organise a meeting with Roger Sherliker, Simon, Robert and the RR committee. Overall feeling from committee is that we don't currently have anything close to a definite building plan despite requests by us to David Ashe.

Social media – We are monitoring recent activity on social media from individuals who are expressing their negative comments online rather than approaching us directly. David to draft update for Parish Magazine.

Tudor Trust – no funds available to us – Closed.

Garfield & Weston – ongoing

EnTrust – ongoing

5. House / Ian's report

Ian's report to be circulated presently.

Trailer training company to be invoiced each month rather than giving us donations. Ian dealing.

Mr Weavil – David has had contact from Frank's daughter who has confirmed that he is not well enough to continue working around the building. David to organise a thank you gift for him. Frank's son, Andrew, would be happy to take on his role. It would be helpful to make up a job spec to work out exactly what needs to be done regularly outside and around the building. Ian to arrange quotes from John Clements and Andrew.

Path clearance – Ian to contact Roy Rattue to see if he can moss kill and jet wash the path from SGHQ. Needs to be completed within a week or we will look elsewhere.

Lunch Club – Lunch Club have been given an offer of help from BW Lions to put up tables. Ian to double check with Lesley/Debbie/Sally that they've made contact with John to organise his help rather than them rely on Ian himself.

Laundry – Ian to liaise with Larry and Rosa; Rosa should not be taking laundry home and Larry needs to commit to a dedicated day each week to collect the washing. Ian to purchase a washing basket with a lid. Ian to report on whether collections made or missed.

Gates – closed.

Concern over CP – David took details to police - closed

SGHQ lease – Elaine chasing Nick Vaughan.

6 Grounds

Cricket Nets – CCC are happy for our Auction contact to get on and remove the nets. Ian dealing (Auction back next week).

Field signs – Pete Snaith of Pearce Signs has kindly offered to provide the signs for the Skinner Field free of charge. He has also volunteered to produce the Show signs for us.

Skinner Field hedges – Emma has emailed John Clements with requirements to cut inside and also to sort stinging nettles. Chasing.

Elaine organizing the tree review with Lynne Newton.

7 Finance

£33303.56 CAF Gold / £218.90 CAF Cash / £73654.27 Virgin

We are being charged £5 per month for our bank account. Committee agreed to accept this charge and remain with CAFBank.

Grateful thanks recorded to Alliot Wingham have agreed to audit our accounts again this year.

8 Miscellaneous

Curdrige Show – Next meeting Monday 9th January. Elaine showed us the advertising design. The White House have kindly agreed to sponsor the event again.

Church - David liaising with Roger Ball.

Beer Festival – Meeting 4th January with Lou White to talk about possible dates and what's involved.

9 AOB

None

Meeting closed 21:25

Meeting dates for 2017

6th February

6th March

3rd April

2nd May

5th June

17th July

4th September

2nd October

6th November

4th December

All at 7.30pm