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| GSCA AGM Meeting Minutes (pending approval) | | |
| 8:00pm Monday 22nd May 2023 | | |
| | Meeting at | Guilden Sutton Village Hall Marigold Room |
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| 1 | Attendance | Derek Hughes (Incumbent Chair) Trisha Paterson (Incumbent Treasurer) Matthew Peacock (Incumbent Secretary) Sarah Jessop, Vivian Downing, Robin Norrie (Incumbent GSCA Trustees) Apologies Peter Evans (Incumbent Trustee) Over 40 members present (residents of Guilden Sutton and Pipers Ash aged over 18) |
| 2 | Conflict of Interest Declarations | None declared |
| 3 | Minutes of the last meeting | Printed copies of the minutes were circulated. Derek read out salient points to the meeting. Copy attached to these minutes. |
| 4 | Chairman's Report | Derek Hughes read out his report Written copy to be provided by Derek |
| 5 | Treasurer's Report | Copies of the 2022 Income & Expenditure with Balance sheet circulated at the start of the meeting. Trisha Paterson read her report (written copy is attached to these minutes). Member's 1st Question: Is there any intended use for surplus current assets? Trisha's response: Roof, hall maintenance and heating system need funding Derek response: Re-roof may need £50,000. Member's 2nd Question: Who are signatories for bank accounts? Trisha's response: Derek, Trisha and John Riley (lottery administrator) are signatories. Some accounts have other signatories, including the Virgin A/C. Virgin has four or five signatories, which is a savings account. Trisha pointed out that the published accounts are for 1st Jan 2022 to 31st December 31st December 2022. Trisha will draw up accounts for the interim period up to CIO merger on 1st June 2023. Trisha announced her retirement as a trustee and treasurer from GSCA after more than 20 years service in various roles including Booking Secretary. She now wishes to spend more time with her family. Trisha reminded the GSCA CIO that the hall is a community asset and not a business, profit is not a driving force but to keep prices reasonable for the whole community to enjoy. She will keep an eye on future proceedings and minutes. |
| 6 | Election of Chairman | Derek Hughes announced his retirement from the role of Chairman but would like to stay as a trustee and wished to hand the meeting over to someone else to carry on. Matthew Peacock nominated Robin Norrie as Chairman and was seconded by Malcolm Clemo. No other nominations were made. Robin Norrie took the Chair in place of Derek. Robin paid tribute to Derek and Trish's many years of service. Robin asked the meeting to show its appreciation to Derek for his many years of chairmanship and his tremendous contribution and advocacy for the community. The meeting showed its appreciation by a standing applause. |

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| 7 | Election of Treasurer | Sarah Connolly proposed by Matthew Peacock and seconded by Sarah Jessop. Sarah Connolly was unopposed and accepted the position. |
| 8 | Election of Secretary | Matthew Peacock was proposed by Robin Norrie and seconded by Peter Edwards, unopposed. |
| 9 | Election of Trustees | The following people offered to stand as Trustees and were each proposed and seconded unopposed: Derek Hughes Vivian Downing Sarah Jessop Alice Hayes Peter Evans (in absentia) |
| 10 | Appointment of Auditor | Deferred to future. |
| 11 | Questions from the floor | <p>Member's question: What is the difference between a trustee and a member of the executive? Matthew and Robin's response : We were advised by Cheshire Community Action that any member of management is effectively has responsibility as a trustee. Trish registered the members of the executive as trustees.</p> <p>Trish remarked that members of the CIO will need to register and therefore get voting rights.</p> <p>Member's question: Can we confirm the number of trustees allowed? Robin's response: Up to nine trustees on the CIO and two co-opted.</p> <p>Member's question: Is that a number that is manageable? Robin's response: `There is a range of theories about the most manageable number on a committee but the more we have the better. Over recent years it's been a real struggle for just three people to run it. But now we have eight and can go up to nine with the option to co-op two further people.</p> <p>Member's question: should we advertise vacancies for trustees? Robin's response: We should think about that but what we want to do is recruit as many young people as possible which is why it's great to have Sarah on board.</p> <p>Robin added that the current constitution comes to an end on 1st June as the CIO comes into effect. The CIO interim trustees will then need to transfer the existing trustees to finalise the transition.</p> |
| 12 | Chairman's closing remarks | <p>Robin is pleased so many people attended the AGM and thanked them for coming.</p> <p>There are a few things we would like to do in the coming 12 months including giving the village hall some TLC already discussed. We would like to facilitate a means for the trustees to listen to the community's ideas and wishes. There are plans for example to reintroduce quiz evenings and perhaps even organise a concert. We want to get into listening mode.</p> <p>Robin invited Derek to chair the Hall Management Committee this evening, following the AGM, as he has done for many years, and have the opportunity to say goodbye to HMC members.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 8:35 pm.</p> |