

HARTINGTON COMMUNITY GROUP

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Minutes of ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held Wednesday 8th February 2023 at 5.30pm in the Village Hall

1. Welcome and apologies

LB

Present: Liz Broomhead, Phillip Neal, Liz Hitch, Leon Goodwin, Alan Benson., Jo Benson, Sue Hull, Carol Clayton, Keiron Bayliffe-Beirne, Dallas Bayliffe-Beirne, Judith Chantler, John Grosvenor, Dorothy Hawton, Malcolm Hawton, Kath Williamson, David Annat, Keith Quine, Al Quine, Kate Tenty, Rob Tenty, Stuart Hitch, Sarah Lacey, David Graham, Julie Graham, Karen Qusted, Malcolm Withers, Richard Gregory, Sue Bruce, Janet Bray,

Apologies: Lucy Annat, Mary Goodwin, Suzanne Lester, Kay Baggle, David Baggle, Stuart Grindey, Teresa Hannan, Gill Dennis, Adie Crowe, Annette Judges

2. Minutes of AGM 2022

LH

The notes of the AGM held Weds 9th Feb 2022 were accepted as a correct record and signed.

There was one action: committee to consider appointing an auditor – completed. It was agreed to appoint an examiner rather than an auditor.

3. Chair's report for 2022

LB

LB spoke to her report circulated with the agenda. This being her final report as chair she included reflections on the past 12 years and thanks to those who had helped over those years. LB finished her report saying, "It really has been a privilege and pleasure to be involved with such a fantastic group of people". There were no questions.

4. Accounts 2022

LG

Leon Goodwin summarised the detailed accounts sent out with the agenda.

Balance £10,968.54

Revenue £21,948.40

Expenses £13,797.10

- The accounts had been examined both by a chartered accountant and by Malcolm Hawton.
- LG offered to make the detailed transactions available for anyone who wishes to see them.
- The meeting offered congratulations on a healthy balance.
- LB explained that although the 'top line' looks healthy, significant monies were ring fenced (eg HYPAC) and would be spent.
- LG explained that the HYPAC finances had been moved to come under the umbrella of HCG finances to make things easier to manage.
- LG explained that the HCG had moved its account to Nat West at the end of last year, as agreed by the committee, for ease of accounting.
- There were questions on the 'Bad Debts' of £628.41 which related to a historical link to the school and the 'Adjustments' of £31.00 which was a historical error. Both had been discussed and agreed by the committee, having taken advice.
- LB thanked Leon for his work on the accounts which were thorough and well presented.
- LH thanked Liz B for her work and success in applying for grants

5. Constitution amendments PN

- PN took the meeting through the changes proposed by the committee to the constitution, as attached to the agenda. The aim was to be as inclusive as possible. There were several questions from the floor: Does the Village Hall get a vote? – yes; Can individuals vote? Yes;
- The bulk of the questions and discussion revolved what defined the term 'member'. It was agreed that membership of HCG would be determined by the circulation list ie all those on the circulation list are members. Those wishing to be added to the circulation list were asked to give their details to LH.
- There was a question on signatories with regard to online banking; two 'signatories' are needed online via secure access.
- The meeting voted to accept the proposed changes to the constitution with the addition of the definition of membership.

6. Election of Officers

- LB had announced her retirement-as chair of HCG at the AGM last year.
- PN as Vice Chair was willing to stand as **Chair**, proposed by Sarah Lacey, seconded David Graham and those present voted in favour unanimously.
- LH and LG were willing to continue as **Secretary** and **Treasurer** respectively. There being no other nominations, they were voted in en bloc.
- There is a vacancy for **Vice Chair** which needs to be filled as soon as possible; members were asked to speak to PN if they were willing to stand. It was noted that LH will step down as Secretary next year.

LB closed the meeting with thanks to everyone as she steps down as Chair after 12 years. PN gave a Vote of Thanks for all the time and work LB has put in to ensuring the success of HCG since its inception in 2011. LB was presented with a card, flowers and a rose bush.

The AGM finished at 6.10pm