

North Wootton Village Hall Management Committee

AGM Meeting Thursday September 14th 2023 7pm

Apologies: Bridget, Bob, Colin, John, Pauline, Kerry, Doreen, Fiona, Jim.

Attendees: Dennis Bishop (Chairman) Neil Pearce (Secretary) Wendy Border (Treasurer/Bookings) Antony Lamb (Events) Will Border, Jason Harper, Sarah Simmonds, Kip Baker, Rachel Williamson.

- 1** Approval of minutes by Dennis of the previous AGM meeting held on the 26th August 2022.

2 Chairman's Annual Report

Dennis read out his annual report. Within this he highlighted the sterling work undertaken by all members of the committee in continuing to upgrade the VH facilities and the general maintenance of the building. He also congratulated the committee on the efforts made in making the VH a central hub of the community that has continued to grow in popularity since the committee was reformed in 2017. He thanked all members past and present for all their hard work and dedication, and also pointed out that everyone gives up their free time on a voluntary basis to help make the VH the success that it has become.

Dennis congratulated all for their support in making the past years events, including the regular VH markets/fairs Indian Cuisine Nights and Bingo evenings. Dennis also highlighted the continuing improvements undertaken with the structure of the hall, including the completion of the new porch. A full transcript of the Chairman's report can be found alongside the minutes on the VH website.

3 Secretary's Report

Neil read out his report, reiterating everything that Dennis had stated in his report. Neil congratulated the committee on what has perhaps been our most

successful year to date. He also remarked upon the significant improvements made to the exterior/interior of the building, including the new porch, which has made it such a popular venue for events and hirers. Neil thanked all members for their valued contributions, and congratulated Antony & Will in receiving their Community Champions awards from the Lord Lieutenant of Norfolk.

Financial Report

Wendy handed out copies of the annual financial figures. Within this she highlighted the healthy state of the finances aided by several grants received, but also the continued and increased revenue gained from our regular events and hirers. Bookings have again been on the up and we continue to receive money from the Norfolk Wins lottery.

Wendy remarked that the VH continues to offer remarkable value to regular hirers and those wishing to host one-off events.

Wendy finished by stating that the past year has been another unequivocal success and thanked everyone for their support.

Maintenance Report

In Bob's absence Dennis highlighted all the sterling work completed during the last year by the maintenance team. The new porch is of course the largest undertaking this year and Bob has been a major part in getting this off the ground. Throughout the year various continued maintenance and upkeep has been done on a regular basis to keep the VH in good condition. New projects for this coming few months include looking into a new floor and repairs to the roof.

Election of Committee members

Dennis, Neil, Wendy, Antony & Bob stepped down from their present positions as Chairman, Secretary, Events organizer, Treasurer and bookings Co-Ordinator, and Maintenance Co-Ordinator.

Neil proposed Dennis to be re-elected and continue in his role as Chairman. Will seconded the proposal and all members voted in favour. Dennis agreed to continue in this role for the coming year.

Wendy proposed Neil to be re-elected in his role as Secretary and was seconded by Dennis. All members voted in favour. Neil agreed to continue in his role for the coming year.

Neil proposed Wendy be re-elected as Treasurer and Bookings Co-Ordinator and was seconded by Antony. All members voted in favour. Wendy agreed to continue in her roles for the coming year.

Neil proposed Antony be re-elected as Events Co-Ordinator. Wendy seconded the motion and all members voted in favour. Antony agreed to continue in his role for the coming year.

Dennis proposed Bob to be re-elected as Maintenance Co-Ordinator and was seconded by Sarah. All were in favour of Bob continuing in his role.

Public Forum

No members of the public were in attendance.

AOB

No matters were raised.

Meeting concluded at 19:23.

