

SYCHDYN MEMORIAL HALL COMMITTEE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2017/18

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held 27th March 2018

Present : Alan Watkins (Chair) Hadyn Bateman (Vice Chair) Marion Bateman, Gina Finlay, Sue Kavanagh, Mari Raynor, Grenville Jones, Sue Edwards, Pauline Lawton-Hughes.

Apologies : Chris Ruddle, Natalia Williams, Val Owen.

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.

The minutes of the previous AGM were read and approved as a true record.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chair gave a verbal report

Although the overall situation of the hall is good, there are some challenging times ahead.

We are having difficulty recruiting new members to the committee regardless of having a permanent poster in the public domain. Some of our hall users have been experiencing financial difficulty and we as a committee have done our utmost to offer support during this time. Fortunately the problems have now been rectified.

The hall, being over a hundred years old is extremely vulnerable to major works which shows the need of a reserve fund sufficient enough to support any future necessary work.

Again, it is necessary to increase the hall fees and we are fortunate not to have to increase these on an annual basis. Heating costs have increased dramatically despite the heating being managed by the HIVE system and monitored on a daily basis.

We are in a healthy position financially and the hall is in a good condition thanks to regular improvements being made. The hall website has been very successful and the potential hall users can gather the necessary information prior to booking.

The Chair thanked the Committee Secretary, Treasurer and Booking Clerk for their continued support. To the committee members for their constant attendance. Finally, thanks were also extended to the Caretaker for her dedication to her work.

TREASURER'S REPORT

In the absence of the Treasurer the audited report was presented to the committee by the Chair.

The payroll services appeared to be working successfully.

Income : £16,600. Reduced in comparison to 2016.

Expenditure: £17,203. Bank balance to date £30k. Reserve account to be opened as soon as possible.

There were no recommendations from the auditors. Report was accepted.

COMMITTEE SECRETARY'S REPORT

The written report was tabled and accepted by the committee.

BOOKING CLERK'S REPORT

A verbal report was presented by the Booking Clerk. She had received a great deal of queries arising from the website and Facebook page. all running well.

CARETAKER'S REPORT

The Caretaker presented a verbal report. All appears to be running smoothly and she had was happy that problems were dealt with quickly and efficiently.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chair: Alan Watkin

Vice Chair: Hadyn Bateman

Committee Secretary: Pauline Lawton-Hughes

Treasurer: Natalia Williams

The meeting closed at 7.55pm