



Beare Green Community Association

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Wednesday 26th February 2020

Front Hall – 7.30

Minutes

New actions, and those carried forward, show in red

Welcome

1. **Apologies** – Lisa Ryan, Alan Smallwood, trustee, Caroline Salmon, David Kalynuk, trustee, Sam Solomon (member), Shaun Solomon, trustee, Revd Barbara Steadman-Allan
2. **Attendees** – Sandy Horvath, Chairman and trustee, Linda Horvath, trustee, Paul Mott, trustee and Deputy Chairman, Steve Campbell, trustee, Lesley West, trustee
3. **Minutes of last meeting – actions and matters arising :**

Outstanding actions carried forward : revision of Emergency numbers – Sandy to add Alan's name;
COMPLETED : Sandy to retrieve Fun Day bag (details of stallholders and past plans) from Michelle

4. **Website**

www.bgca.org.uk is live. Michelle Watson asked for the youth club listing with its contact details to be removed; this was done immediately. All local groups are being written to to check they are content with the contents and details, and to see if they will supply a picture to be added to the listing.

5. **AGM to be 10th June 7:30 front hall** – to be publicised on new website
CANCELLED DUE TO COVID – REPLACEMENT DATE TO BE PUBLISHED

Sandy reminded us that the Whatsapp group is for authorised events planning, but not for trustee decision-making which should take place at meetings.

6. **Bookings report**

We provisionally decided to move to a flat fee for each room, subject to some final comms by Sandy with users. Lesley will be bookings secretary from April.

7. **Events**

- 7.1 The Jumble Sale is to be held Saturday 29th February
- 7.2 An Easter hat making workshop or similar for children is planned on Saturday 4th April; lunch break (we may feed them, for example, subject to finalisation nearer the time, chicken nuggets, crisps and sandwiches); they show them off in the park 12:30 pm, then pin the tail on the bunny and some other games ... give them each an easter egg maybe a tombola or raffle (which we would sell tickets for) raffle off an Easter bunny cake. We will sell tea and cakes to the adults.
- 7.3 We are contemplating putting on a VE day event with tea and cake will be in the hall Friday 8th May at the hall, details tbc. Hall is hired to cycling until 13:00, so we could do this 15:00 to 17:00
- 7.4 2020 fun day date was to have been Sat, Jun 20, 2020. The bouncy castle was booked via Shaun (we hire it – two devices). The excellent band (Nelson Porter from Harvest Church Goodwyns) from last time was booked (this time volume a shade lower once we get going), and the dog warden was to judge the dog show. CANCELLED DUE TO COVID.
- 7.5 Long horizon events : Children’s party will be Sunday 13th December 2020 over 60’s tea party afternoon Sunday 20th December
- 7.6 Cinema Report

Going well. **Film long-list review by trustees anticipated mid March for selection of the films for each month from May onwards.** Forward plan :

	Doors open 6:45 p.m.	
Sat 07 Mar	Film starts 7:30 p.m	The Good Liar
	Doors open 6:45 p.m.	
Sat 11 Apr	Film starts 7:30 p.m	Judy

CANCELLED DUE TO COVID FROM APRIL

8. Hall and BGCA Matters

8.1 Heating – thermostats

Local electrician to fit hard wired replacements for the wireless thermostat in front hall – Alan has had good ideas about routing - electrician has not yet had time due to a bereavement.

8.2 Paint

We have a quote for internal decorations – Rocky has quoted £900 – good quality clean-able grey paint. **Agreed** to go ahead, **ACTION : Sandy will tell him.**

8.3 Heating – Air to Air Heat Pump

Now talking to Cllr Helyn Clack re : funding, and looking to apply to the Gatwick Airport Community Fund.

8.4 Replacement projector for meeting room

- Awaiting news from another village on whether and when we can procure their second hand machine when they get a new one.

9. Village Matters

9.1 Pie and Mash Van

Noted that the Pie and Mash van is not coming any more.

9.2 Mole Valley development plan

Noted that BGCA are apolitical due to being a charity, and won't get involved in debate around this

10. Treasurer's and Bookings Report

10.1 Treasurer :

Current account has £2032.50, second account has £5886.68, and petty cash is £451.50. Total £8369.

Changes from 1/4/20 : Linda Horvath will remain as Treasurer, Michelle will become the new book-keeper to support the treasurer and will take on the invoicing from 1st April for the bookings role, with everyone encouraged to pay via BACS. Vicky will give up the bookings from 1st April, at which point Lesley takes on the bookings.

Accounts need to be submitted to the charities commission (overdue; were due by June); Sandy and Michelle are working on it. We also need this year's accounts for the AGM.

Lease of hall is 99 years from 30th July 2014.

10.2 Electricity

Renewal of the electricity contract is in March 2020, **and Paul will give attention to it.** The account is £1570 in credit half way through the winter. We are trying to get a rebate in relation to the climate change levy and some of the VAT; Paul has sent off a "VAT Certificate" form he has just received after chasing. The definition of "non business charity" is, it has to be said, not at all clear in any of the HRMC documentation, or elsewhere, with no examples given anywhere; but as we do not aim to make a profit, and are a charity, we believe we should be treated as one. BG are now sending a letter asking more questions, which hasn't arrived; it seems to be quite a long-winded process with no guarantee of success, getting the rebate (and better ongoing treatment in relation to the VAT and the CCL).

11. Any Other Business

Paul has placed a notice on Freecycle seeking a better piano, at Barbara's suggestion.

12. Date of next meeting

March 25th 2020 CANCELLED DUE TO COVID – REPLACEMENT DATE 5th May - Committee / Meeting Room (whichever is not in use), 7.30, all welcome (everyone in the village is a member of BGCA and can come and speak at the meetings with ideas or offers of help; we just happen to be trustees)