EAST PRESTON & KINGSTON VILLAGE HALL FOUNDATION

52 Sea Road, East Preston, BN16 1LP

Registered Charity No. 293292

THE 43rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of
The East Preston & Kingston Village Hall Foundation
Saturday 19th August 2023@11.00am
in the Miller Barn

MINUTES

1. Welcome

The Chair welcomed the Members of the Committee and 10 Members of the Public to the AGM.

It was stated that the proceedings of the Meeting would be recorded for Minute-taking, the tape to be deleted when the Minutes had been written.

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from:

Sara Calder-Jones

3. Minutes of 42nd AGM

The Minutes of the 42nd AGM of the East Preston & Kingston Village Hall Foundation held on Saturday 15th September 2022 were agreed and signed.

4. Matters Arising

One small amendment to the 41st meeting minutes was noted by Margaret Chadwick under point 9 – change to Arun U3A Bridge Club.

5. Nomination Forms

No nomination forms had been received.

6. Chairman's Report

The report for 2023 was read out by the chair.

The main points covered were:

- The chair gave thanks to the committee for all their hard work in the previous year.
- The committee is still without a Treasurer, so TM is acting as Chair/Booking Clerk and Treasurer.
- Blackout curtains have been fitted to the Miller Barn windows.

- The Warren Room now has roller blinds fitted to the south side of the building.
- Yellow noses have been fitted to the steps leading into the Miller Barn from the car park.
- Two additional CCTV cameras have been fitted to enhance the security of the buildings.
- Roof insulation has been fitted above the Warren Room, kitchen, toilets and storage areas with the help of a 50% grant from East Preston Parish Council (EPPC) for which the committee are extremely grateful for.
- Men in Sheds (MIS) project in conjunction with EPPC is ongoing with planning permission to erect a shed in the car park has been granted for 3 years.
- Roy Allen has stated that he will be stepping down as Premises Manager at next year's AGM.

7. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report for 2022 read out by the Chair.

Total income	£36.593.96
Total expenses and overheads	£32,705.78
Total Profit	£3,888.18

In addition, we hold £30,000 in a CAF account in case of any unexpected bills such as roof repairs.

In order to stay in credit, we took the difficult decision to raise hire rates. The previous increase took effect in September 2021.

The new charges are as follows:

Miller Barn
Day rate £14 per hour
Evening rate £17 per hour

Warren Room
Day rate £13 per hour
Evening Rate £16 per hour

One Off Hires
Miller Barn £22 per hour
Warren Room £20 per hour

8. Resignation and Election of Committee Members for 2023

In accordance with the Regulations governing the East Preston and Kingston Village Hall Foundation, the entire Committee resigned.

The members of the Management Committee willing to stand for re-election were as follows:

Mrs Toni McElroy

Mrs Liz Taggart
Mrs Nicola Adams
Mr Roy Allen

The attendees were asked if they were happy to proceed with a show of hands for and against. The motion was carried with 11 votes for and 0 abstentions.

9. Any Other Business

There was a question from the floor regarding the status of the East Preston men in sheds (EPMIS) committee. Had they disbanded? TM reassured him that there had been some changes in committee members and that currently they were taking a break but that they would be resume after the summer break. There will be a clearer picture after the meeting next week. Costs unfortunately keep rising but it is hoped that the bid for National Lottery funding will cover the financial outlay of buying the shed.

The MIS committee have been granted £10,000 grant to fit out and equip the shed. The MIS project is a joint venture between EPPC, The village hall committee and EPMIS.

A question was asked about the height of the chair stacks in the two halls. For safety they should only be a maximum of 9 high. TM agreed to put a notice up to that effect in both halls.

Rosemary Phillips gave a vote of thanks to the committee for their hard work and commitment.

10. Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 11.28am