# MINUTES FROM EDGTON VILLAGE HALL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: 17th JANUARY 2024.

#### **PRESENT:**

Peter Whaphzam-Treasurer & Vice Chair Michelle Simpson-Secretary Bob Lawson-Bookings Clerk Alice O'Brian

ALSO: Paul Harding-Jones, Fiona Harding-Jones, Jon Simpson, Kate Chitham, Pierre Brayford.

Alicia Hancer, James Tozer, Sue Ford, Ian Ford, Pierre Brayford, Monica Round, Ellis Round, Gilli Coston, Liz Begley, Diane Harris, Julie Hall-Brett.

#### **APOLOGIES:**

Bob & Clare Reynolds, Mike & Krista Hutchings, Jean Brayford, Janet Cobb, John Higson, Alan Roberts, Ingrid Tozer, Chris Harris,

### 1. WELCOME:

Peter welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the AGM, Peter gave thanks to Ingrid Tozer for her time as Chairperson over the last year.

The minutes from the last AGM dated 15th October 2022 were discussed, no issues were raised therefore they were agreed and signed.

#### 2. TREASURERS REPORT:

Accounts for year ending 31st October 2023

Income:£4326.50- (£2948 from fundraising £1378.50 from Bowls club, Keep fit and hall hire).

Expenditure: £4179.96

Total Monies in bank account: £10,499.49 (as of 31st October 2023)

Thanks to John Higson for his continued support with the Village Hall accounts.

Fiona Harding-Jones raised the question of where the figure of £713 comes from under fundraising, Peter to check and answer the question.

# 3. HIGHLIGHTS OF 2023:

Quiz Night-£423.00
Jumble Sale (half proceeds) £334
Treasure Hunt £105
Tea at the Ritz £261
Live Music-Red Madog (half proceeds) £186
Race Night £470
Evening Talks £157
Sunday tea and cake for walkers £204
www.edgton-village-hall.co.uk now live.

## **4. PLANS FOR 2024**

Improvements to the hall are much needed, possible improvements are:

Broadband, Replace Curtains with blinds, Additional Fridge/Freezer or buy a Fridge freezer to replace the fridge, Dishwasher, New saucepans, Highball Glasses, Planters and shrubs, Carpet for Foyer, New frames for flower pictures, Carbon monoxide alarm, Replace shot window panes, General maintenance, Decorate the hall.

It was suggested we spend around £5000 to make improvements, there was concern that this would leave the bank balance rather low so fundraising and grants would need to be a key focus for 2024, Moving money into a better interest account was also suggested.

It was suggested that Improvements that are needed should be done first rather than the cosmetic improvements. Other suggestions for improving the hall were buying a screen to show films etc and buying a TV license so we can show major sporting events whenever possible.

Asking the parish meeting for funds out of our precept was also raised to help with improvements, this would need to be discussed at the next parish meeting if the majority are in agreement with this.

Advertising the hall is much needed to bring in external bookings, we should advertise that the chairs, tables, staging etc can be hired-pricing needs to be agreed and a leaflet produced.

#### 5. APPOINTMENTS:

Peter Whapham will remain Treasurer & Vice Chair.

Michelle Simpson will remain Secretary.

Bob Lawson will remain bookings clerk

Janet Cobb to remain Parish Clerk Rep.

Alice O"Brian will remain as a trustee.

Chris Harris was nominated to become a Chairperson by Peter Whapham, Michelle Simpson seconded. Fiona Harding-Jones was nominated to become a trustee by Michelle Simpson, Alice O'Brian seconded. Gilli Coston was nominated to become a trustee by Michelle Simpson, Peter Whapham seconded. Liz Begley was nominated to become a trustee by Michelle Simpson, Fiona Harding-Jones seconded.

Fiona, Gilli and Liz were thanked for joining our committee, keys to the hall will be issued in due course and their names will be added to the Edgton Village Hall register of charities, Ingrid will be removed from the register.

### 5. RESIGNATIONS:

Ingrid Tozer

Ingrid will be thanked for her years service.

#### 6. THANK YOU'S:

Sue Ford for her continued support in hiring the hall for keep fit

The bowls team for their support in hiring the hall for their bowls night and pub nights.

All involved with the hedge /grounds maintenance in February especially to non committee members.

Chris Harris for setting up the website.

All involved with the store cupboard tidy especially to non committee members.

All involved with the Jumble sale especially Pierre for his plant donations.

Jon Simpson for fixing problems at short notice.

Wendy Buswell for her continued support in maintaining the De-Fib.

Everyone that supports and volunteers to keep the hall running.

## 7. DEFIB REPORT.

Wendy Buswell produced a Defib report and was read out by Peter, If anyone would like a copy of the report please email Michelle.

### **8. NEXT MEETING (FUNDRAISING BRAIN STORMING)**

10th February 10am

Chris Harris to chair.

Refreshment's will be provided.

Everyone welcome to share ideas. A leaflet will be sent around the village inviting everyone to join us.

Peter thanked everyone for coming, it was a well attended meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm

Wine, tea, coffee and cake were enjoyed by all.