

Misson Community Association

Chairperson's Report to the Annual General Meeting – 21 February 2018

Governance

The Community Association is constituted as a Charity. Elizabeth Clifton and Janis James continue as Trustees.

The Committee has reviewed the Constitution. There are no fundamental changes. However, some of the detail needs updating to make the Constitution more relevant and this is covered later in the AGM

People

The Community Association is all about people and we are grateful for all the work that has been undertaken during the year to assist and support the events and meetings and the volunteers that have helped with some of the repairs and maintenance to the Community Centre

At the last AGM, Elizabeth Clifton decided to remain as a Committee Member and was joined by David Hobson (Chairperson), Viv Mulholland, Jan (Secretary and Booking Clerk) and Spencer Robey (Treasurer), Phil Shilling (Vice Chairperson), Reg and Wendy Threlkeld. In January 2018 Viv Mulholland resigned and Ben Ryland was proposed and approved in January 2018

Pat Swift agreed to be the Accounts Examiner and Brian Swift maintains the defibrillator on the gable of the Angel Inn

Thanks also to Andrea and Cynthia who continue to maintain the displays either side of the entrance

I would like to offer my sincere thanks to all of the committee members who make significant contributions to MCA Events and to the bookings made by others (For instance Misson Live and the Charity Race Night on Saturday)

Events

2017 was a busy year for events. Misson Community Association promoted a return for Mr. Dan, the reintroduction of the Misson Feast on the Green, the Village Show and Auction, an evening of storytelling with Sophie Snell, Spring and Autumn Village Cleans, Christmas Fayre, Doncaster Art Society Art Show and the Christmas Lunch. Thanks to Viv and Elizabeth who took the responsibility to coordinate some of the larger events

Thanks to Spencer and Jan - The 100+ Club is well supported and a useful source of income and is included in the Treasurers report

Communication

Thanks to Spencer - Misson Community Association has its own website which can be used for booking parts or whole of the Community Centre and email address missioncommunity@gmail.com

Facebook is very popular with over 210 Followers (up from 165 in the year) and is supplemented with posters, Bawtry News and mail drops to each property. Thanks to Wendy who has been providing editorial for Bawtry news and the majority of posters

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A condition survey was undertaken last summer to ensure that there are sufficient funds in the sinking fund for any expenditure for repairs and maintenance. However, we have continued to upgrade the building when funds become available including external painting, internal joinery works and new flexible energy efficient lighting.

Thanks to Reg for the Quarterly inspections undertaken to check that everything is working and minor works and repairs are undertaken

Last Summer the Association received contributions towards the provision of a stage and thanks to Wendy and Reg we now have a stage, backdrop and lights

At the Spring Clean in April 2017 the land opposite was dug over and thanks to the generosity of the community was established with perennial plants to improve the entrance to the Centre.

Misson Preschool is the main user of the Community Centre with other regular users in the last 12 months being groups for Yoga, Martial Arts, Dog Training, Line Dancing, Art Club, Thimbles, Messy Church and Misson and Springs Women's Institute

The next twelve months

In 2018 we should look to retain the popular events and supplement these with events that are free (Photography) increase the use of the Community Centre at the weekends that are appropriate for the whole family

Work to upgrade the Centre will continue with redecoration in the Easter holidays and improvements to the main entrance hall and other rooms later in the year subject to sufficient funding

And finally encourage more people to get involved in the Community Association and the Groups that use the Centre. This is a great facility, with great people and the opportunity is here for us all to improve the environment that we spend a lot of time in

David Hobson
20 February 2018