



MISSION COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Zoom meeting held on 18th November 2020 at 7.00pm

Committee Members present:

Ann Beacham; Lizzy Clifton; Amanda Hannigan; Sue Howard; Jan Robey; Spencer Robey; Wendy Threlkeld;

Others present:

Janis James; Liz Rowe; Reg Threlkeld; Mandy Walker; Peter Edwards

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Ian Cotterhill

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING OF 21st October 2020 (previously circulated by email)

After discussion, the amendments suggested by the Parish Council were rejected and the minutes of the last meeting were approved. These will be signed in due course.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES 21st October 2020 (not covered elsewhere on Agenda)

Feedback re Halloween Weekend was very positive. Went well despite Covid restrictions. Trail was excellent and well attended and children were pleased with prizes. Ann B thanked all those involved. Mandy W had received several letters of thanks from recipients of All Saints Day gifts. Spencer R had liaised with MPS and was awaiting request from Sarah Taylor re cleaning materials required. Lizzy C raised issue of leaves outside centre - Spencer R advised that he had swept these away several times and had asked MPC to contact BDC re leaves in Vicar Lane.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT (previously circulated by email)

Spencer R queried the Business Banking Switch process. Mark Hooper had encountered problems as the Parish Council was not a registered charity. The appropriate form for switching to the Co-op Bank - amounting to 24 pages - had been downloaded. A possible stumbling block was that all those with control over the MCA - Committee members and Trustees needed to fill in a 2 page document. It had not been established as to whether individuals would be required to go to bank for identification purposes. Spencer R to investigate and report.

Mandy W advised that Pat Swift would let the MCA know when Village park and playground account was open.

Spencer R suggested that we needed to move forward on the purchase of new wipeable chairs and tables. This is something that was highlighted over a year ago and 100+Club money was earmarked for these.

ACTION: Spencer R and Lizzy C to investigate and report to next meeting

Mandy W and Liz R requested to be copied into future Treasurers Reports

ACTION: Spencer R to organise

5. FUTURE EVENTS

5.1 Christmas Event

Jan R advised that a lit Christmas Tree in the Churchyard had been paid for. Due to Covid restrictions, the designated time for us to decorate our tree was 2 - 2.30pm on Friday 11th December.

ACTION: It was agreed that Lizzy C and Sue H decorate the tree

Ann B and Mandy W advised that there would be a Treasure Trail around the village, ending at a 'Grotto', where Mr and Mrs Christmas would hand out age related gifts to the children from the 'Golden Bucket'. This would take place between 4pm - 7pm on 19th December.

ACTION: Spencer R and Janis J agreed to be assist as marshals

Mandy W said that some people wanted to donate money towards activities during Covid. Lynn Roberts was going to open up a bank account for funds. Cheryl Neale was helping the children decorate a Children's Christmas tree in the churchyard and the villagers would pay for this. MCA offered help to Sharon C with buying wooden decorations to put in a bag on 13th December for Christingle.

ACTION: Sue H to source wooden decs

Spencer R offered use of the MCA bank account until the villagers could set up their own. Mandy W will consult with others and let Spencer know.

ACTION: Mandy W to let Spencer know if MCA bank account to be used

Amanda H suggested something similar to a Christmas Memory Tree, using the spikes around the Pinfold, to hang a message in memory of a loved one and leave in place until twelfth night. Peter E did not think the Parish Council would have a problem with this.

ACTION: Sue H to put on FB

The Village Green Christmas tree is being lit on Saturday 28th November at around 5pm.

ACTION: Mandy W to put on FB, put note through doors

It was agreed that Pre-School decorate the Community Centre themselves as the sole user.

ACTION: Spencer R to speak to Sarah T - Done

Amanda H knows of someone who sells pancakes from her van and is willing to come to events in the village. It will not cost us anything. She can do a 3-4 hour block. Pancakes can be pre-ordered. This could be advertised on FB.

ACTION: Amanda H to find out availability for December/January.

5.3 Pensioners Christmas Dinner

Jan R said that a slip from Mandy W had been included in the All Saints Day package asking people to ring Jan if interested in a takeaway meal. Jan R has had 19 requests for meals so far. She would like to give a Christmas card to each person/or couple together with a scratch card for each, leaving them for 72 hours after sealing to be Covid safe. **This was agreed.**

Peter E, Mandy W, Ian C and Sue H agreed to help with the delivery of food.

ACTION: Spencer R to contact Tracey Taylor, BDC for funding

Liz R suggested a package for the over 75's and Mandy W and Ann B could organise cards from the children.

ACTION: Ann B to think about these ideas

6. COMMUNITY CENTRE

6.1 Centre Property Maintenance Sub Committee

A meeting was held on 16th November for joint ideas. Mark Hooper sent minutes to all re renovation/restoration. Ann B thanked those members on the sub committee.

6.2 Insurance

Ann B briefly spoke about our insurance for Public Liability. We have 2 years yet to run on our Insurance, therefore a decision does not need to be made now. It was suggested that if we open the hall for new users, the Booking Form could be changed to make people aware of the Public Liability Insurance. Spencer R said that the existing insurance could not be changed. Spencer R said he had looked on Google and the cost of Public Liability Insurance was in the region of £60 - £70 per annum, depending on circumstances. Mandy W said it was easy to get a subscription for personal insurance.

6.3 RCAN Membership

Sue H suggested joining RCAN (Rural Community Action Nottinghamshire) at a cost of £95 + VAT. It was agreed to try for a year and see if it is of use.

ACTION: Ann B to organise

Peter Edwards left at this point 8.25pm.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Jan R said the only correspondence received was that of Ben Ryland and Reg Threlkeld's resignations. Ann B informed that both had received gifts from MCA for their work. Mandy W acknowledged appreciation and thanks for Reg's hard work. Reg said he would still be available to help.

8. NEWSLETTER

Mandy W said that the deadline to get MCA pages to her is 28th December. Spender R said that Jan and himself wanted to personally pay for a page to celebrate the retirement of the postman and would like it to be on the front page if possible.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Spencer R said we needed a Vice-Chair due to Reg's resignation. Ann B nominated Amanda H, seconded by Janis J. The MCA still need 2 Committee Members. Mandy W suggested village support from MCA volunteers with more joint ventures.

Lizzy C said the meeting of the Trustees with the PC was useful and that the conclusion was to work together more carefully. She suggested they meet more often perhaps in a few months. Relationships was all about communication. Jan R said we need to draw a line under all past events and move on. It was a two-way process. Lizzy was upset there was no apology. Sue H agreed with Jan R in that it has to be two-way.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Wednesday 20th January 2021

The meeting finished at 8.55pm.