



# MISSON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

## MINUTES OF MEETING 15TH FEBRUARY 2023

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Janis James, Andrew Oldham, Spencer Robey (till 8pm), Sue Scott, Sue Howard

### OTHERS PRESENT

Andrea Wilcox, Pat Swift, Liz Rowe, Mandy Walker

#### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Michael Cooke, Joan Challoner

#### 2. MINUTES OF MEETING 18TH JANUARY 2023

Agreed as accurate and signed by Janis J.

#### 3. NON-AGENDA MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF 18TH OCTOBER 2022

Caribbean event 3rd June – formal permission required from MPC to use the Green.

Defib – following the closure of The Angel, this is working. The unit does not need electricity to work, but it is required to maintain a steady temperature during hot or cold conditions. Janis J has been unable to contact the brewery.

#### 4. TREASURER'S REPORT

Andrew O gave brief report. See full report attached.

Thanks to Pat Swift once again for arranging the audit of the accounts which have been signed off.

		<i>Hall</i>	<i>Community</i>
Income	£ 9,812.87	£ 6,154	£ 3,659
Expenditure	£ 8,343.35	£ 6,093	£ 2,251
Major repairs	<u>£ 7,980.82</u>	<u>£ 7,980</u>	
Net expenditure	£ 6,511.30	£ 7,919	
Net income			£ 1,408

Total of bank balances                      £13,420.21 (excludes Misson Marine £2,796.80)

Bassetlaw Council has awarded a 10% top up relief in addition to the 80% mandatory rates relief on the rates bill for the hall.

Andrew's report shows the full position once MPS funding stops. In order to cover the lost MPS income, MCA would have to hire out the hall for an additional 6 hours a week every week all year.

Mandy W said that presumably adjustments have been made to allow for using less oil and electricity with fewer hirings. To a certain extent – yes - but the hall will still need heating to keep it in good condition.

**5. MISSON PRE-SCHOOL – UPDATE ON RELOCATION PLANS**

Formal notice has been received – MPS will be leaving the Community Centre at the end of August, which allows for tidying up without children. Regarding the back garden – MPS approached MPC directly to change the back into the play area. MPS has now asked if MPA want the shelter left, the Astroturf repaired etc.

The garage belongs to MPS – they put this up. Do they still want it to take away? If not, it could be used as the resilience store.

**ACTION** - Janis J will write to MPS and MPC regarding the back garden area and garage.

**6. COMMUNITY CENTRE LEASE AND MANAGEMENT**

There are 4 possible options for MCA going forward.

1. Keep as is and carry on with the lease. Try to fill the hall with bookings until the MPC Green Plan is actioned – i.e., funding available to renovate the building.
2. Go back to MPC and ask them to consider changing the lease to remove the annual break clause, so MCA can apply for grant funding.
3. Give the lease back and offer to act as a management company. MCA would take bookings etc., but MPC responsible for arranging, funding, and carrying out repairs.
4. Surrender the lease and run MCA charity for community events only, with no further involvement with the community centre. MCA would rent areas of the village such as the hall, True Fate, school, pubs, the church etc. for village events. The constitution would require to be changed via the Charities Commission and general public, to reflect changes.

Hall users were asked to think about the options. No decision required to be made at the moment. Janis J will approach MPC Clerk again to request MPC change the lease to enable MCA to apply for grant funding.

MCA believe that as it stands the current lease is not fit for purpose as neither MCA nor MPC can put in for a grant. In the future, repairs are needed to the roof, the porch etc.

Mandy W asked what has changed as the lease was signed by the existing Trustees. Janis J explained that Sue S has now joined the Committee, and she has invaluable experience regarding leases and funding – experience just not available at the lease signing. There requires to be a minimum of 5-10 years on the lease to obtain significant funding, and current lease is an annual one because of the break clause.

Sue S said that following the death of The Queen, there are monies available for community buildings remaining for community use. However, for major funding a minimum of 20-30 year lease is required.

Mandy W prefers MCA to carry on.

Andrew W suggested MCA present their preferred option and it was agreed options would be presented at the AGM on 15th March 2023.

**7. BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS**

Georgia Whiteside is now employed as cleaner at £10.00/hour for 3 hours a week to be reviewed in April. There may be less cleaning required from September.

Boiler was serviced on 14th February, and oil will be delivered on 16th.

**8. BOOKINGS**

RD Jewellers visited on 11th February, when they purchased gold and valued jewellery and items. It was so successful they donated £50 in addition to the hall charge, and they want to come back.

Race Night – 4th March.

Messy Church - 9th March

Baby Shower – 18th March

Messy Church – 7th April

Music Tuition – 16th April

Elections – 4th May (fee £300)

May Book Swap – changed to 29th April as Coronation is on the 6th.

Line Dancing – every Thursday 7-8 pm. Changing to Monday afternoon from September

**9. FUTURE EVENTS**

Defib training 25th February – 19 booked to date.

First Responder in the village is Mark Duncolm. Glynn Davies would also like to be a First Responder. If there are any costs involved, which group would pay costs – MCA, MPC or Town Estates?

Continuation of the successful February walk and coffee to True Fate. Planned for first Wednesday of the month.

Race Night 4th March – sold out with 77 tickets. There will be a bar on the night.

**CORONATION**

One meeting of the Committee to date – generally lower key than the Jubilee.

Current ideas include red, white, and blue flags flowers etc outside houses. Bunting and flags on the Green and around the village. Waiting for the church to say what they are doing.

Nothing planned for Saturday Coronation Day, but exploring with White Horse and Angel what their plans may be.

Sunday – Big Street Party on the Green, rather than streets as it is not possible to stop the traffic.

Monday – the Big Help Out – looking to see what we can arrange.

Caribbean band Steel Gen currently booked for 3rd June, but Caribbean food is proving hard to book. May have to be cancelled or postponed.

**10. CORRESPONDENCE/CONTACT/COMMUNICATION**

Live & Local came to the village and met with Janis J and Sue S regarding subsidised events. MCA would have to enter into an agreement with them, new programme of events sent in April, for 12 months from

September and we can choose a maximum of 3 events p.a. Each event would be funded up to £350, and L&L get 70% of any tickets sales over and above the £350.

Janis J went to the RCAN (Rural Community Action Nottinghamshire) meeting in January. RCAN offer help and assistance for rural development, with an annual fee. Decided MCA would not join at the moment.

**11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

**12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Meeting closed with thanks to attendees.

The next meeting will be the AGM on **Wednesday 15th March at 19.15**, followed by wine and cheese for attendees.