

Polgooth Village Hall A.G.M. 12/01/2015

Present Jonathan Childs, Sharon Kendall, Pam Hitchens, Nigel Hitchens, Wendy Hitchens, Garry Hitchens, Tanya Williams, Di Thompson, Michele Taylor, Drena Banks, Karina Davis, Billy Ensor, Chris Passmore, Jeannette Warren, Steve Thornhill, Liz Thornhill, Craig Thornhill, Mark Butcher, Sam Butcher, Jane Hicks, Tim Warren, Kate Spencer, Tom Lott & Jill Lott.

**** Before the AGM commenced proper, we were joined by Richard Wallis from the Parish Council, who gave a short talk on the 'Parish Plan'. He explained how the plan was hoping to proceed for the next 15 years and explained how the future of the village hall could be incorporated in the plan. He invited anyone with any thoughts or input to contact him in the next few weeks and gave his email address as rpwallis@btinternet.com. Mr Wallis then left for us to commence the AGM business.****

Minutes of the A.G.M of 14st January 2013 were read out and signed as a true record by Sharon Kendall, secretary in the absence of a chairperson.

Matters arising from those Minutes:- None.

Chairperson's Report

As Martin Barnes had stepped down from this position a few months ago there was no report.

Treasurer's Report.

Jonathan Childs reported that last year the overall balance puts us just over £1000 in surplus. However, with sadness the St Mewan Under 5's preschool has just closed and they were our main source of income. We do expect some costs to come down as a result of this, but anticipate a time of great caution. It was agreed that more needs to be done to promote the village hall as a venue for hire and more fundraising events would be needed to keep the hall going. Jonathan is still waiting to hear if the hall will benefit from any of the feed in tariff generated by the solar panels on the roof.

Election of Officers.

Chairman. Tom Lott explained that David Prior had offered to stand in as temporary chairperson until someone permanent was found. It was decided that although this was a very nice gesture and offer, we would like David to come along to a few meetings first as a general committee member, and if after that he feels he would still like the position we can reassess the election. In the meantime we will continue to have a stand in chairperson at each meeting. All in favour.

Treasurer. Jonathan Childs. prop. Kate Spencer. 2nd. Pam Hitchens.

Minutes Secretary. Sharon Kendall. prop. Jeannette Warren. 2nd. Wendy Hitchens.

Bookings Secretary. Michele Taylor. prop. Tanya Williams. 2nd. Sharon Kendall.

Polgooth Times. Di Thompson.

Polgooth Church. Drena Banks.

Ladies' Group. Pam Hitchens.

Keep Fit Group. Margaret Hitchens.

Polgooth Players. Garry Hitchens.

Parish Council. Chris Passmore.

Events Committee. Kate Spencer.

Toddler group. Kate Spencer.

Kids Club. Karina Davis.

Other Committee Members:- Tim Warren, Jane Hicks, Billy Ensor, Tanya Williams, Jeannette Warren, Nigel Hitchens, Wendy Hitchens, Mark Butcher and Sam Butcher and Margaret Hitchens (existing members) and Steve Thornhill, Liz Thornhill, Craig Thornhill, Tom Lott and Jill Lott (new members) .

David Geeves has stepped down from the committee since the previous AGM.

The trustees have been changed since the previous AGM. Clive Kessell and Martin Barnes are no longer trustees. The new trustees are Jonathan Childs, Tim Warren and Kate Spencer.

All those in **Bold** were voted in by All in Favour. Other Officers and Committee Members were voted in *en bloc*. prop. Nigel Hitchens. 2nd. Tanya Williams. The re-election of officers and AGM matters were completed at 8.15pm.

Reports.

Due to time restraints and the fact we had had a presentation from the Parish Council, we were all in agreement to leave the user groups reports until the next meeting. It was felt the time left would be better spent discussing some fundraising ideas as detailed below.

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1. Jeannette Warren will liaise with David Prior with regards to his offer as temporary chairperson and she will also check if either he or Margaret Hitchens has an email address.
2. Tom & Jill Lott explained that they would like to hold approximately 4 music evenings a year in the hall. The next event will be Saturday 24th January. There are already posters around the village. They do need to cover costs etc but have suggested that if they sell over 60 tickets for each event they may be able to pass some money to the hall funds. Thank you.
3. Karina Davis is organising a table top sale for Saturday 7th February from 1pm to 4pm. Tables will be £5 each.
4. Sharon Kendall agreed to organise another 'wine and wisdom' quiz evening for Saturday 14th March. Look out for posters nearer the time for more details.
5. Steve Thornhill made several great suggestions for further fundraising events including a race night, skittles, beetle drive and human cluedo. It was agreed that he will organise an event for Saturday 9th May, we are happy to leave it with him as to what to do first and Nigel Hitchens suggested if Steve needs any assistance to contact any of the committee members.
6. Chris Passmore explained the Parish council have advertised several times for new committee members but to no avail. If anyone is interested in joining the parish council feel free to contact Chris directly.
7. Finally a reminder that the Polgooth Players will be presenting 'Dick Whittington' from 17th to 21st February. Tickets are now available from the village shop. Please help to promote this event as now that the preschool have closed, the donation from the pantomime will probably be the main income for the hall this year!

Next Committee Meeting Monday 9th March 2015 at 7.30 pm

Minutes signed as a true record

Chairman