

Horsmonden Social Club Committee meeting

Tuesday 9th January 2024

Present: Lindsay Chave / Tim Coyne / Lawrence Arscott / Jimmy Webb / Richard Edmed / Jordan de Saa / Anthony Hacker / David Watson / Nick Belton / Nick Miller / Jo Beach (taking minutes)

Apologies: Paul Fluery / Paul Lawson / Alison Scott / Jan Botten

Previous minutes agreed but date to be corrected as states 31st October rather than December.

Winter festival - £5k taken, ¼ as cash, profit £2.5k. Agreed £1k to be donated to Hovec.

December events – agreed that kids event was a success but would not be held on same night as the raffle, probably week before.

January events – Freddie Mercury successful evening and has been rebooked for next February.

Charity Bingo has been booked for 23rd March.

Refurbishment of club – received quotes between £20k and £30k to remove posts and replace with steel beam – agreed too expensive option. Will get quotes for removing ceiling to go back to original height – this work to be done July / August 2024. Notice will need to be sent to all clubs that use the village. Also look to remove foyer and open up that area.

Bar refurbishment – request for door leading to cellar direct from bar – this work will be done in 2025.

Agreed 60 chairs to be ordered.

Subcommittee of Lindsay / Tim / Jimmy / Jordan to meet to arrange.

Volunteers evening – 14th March start at 7.30pm – curry.

AGM – 22nd March start at 8pm

Front door – awaiting quote work to be done when weather improves.

Cellar door – key fob system to be introduced (LC to organise).

Price increase – beer / cider to £3.60 / lager to £4. DW to send round list.

Beer Festival – 6th July – NM to arrange team of volunteers. Suggestion to ask Hovec to run BBQ.

Village welcome pack – voucher to be updated.

Bridgette Walsh has resigned from the committee and as a trustee.

Anthony Hacker to take on the role of secretary – all social media formats to be updated.

Trustees – currently only Lindsay and Nick Belton. Agreed that Nick Miller and Anthony Hacker would become trustees.

Constitution – updated and circulated to committee. States that there will be an annual audit, but this does not happen. States should have president and vice chair – currently do not have – these will be made optional roles. Amendment to be made to trustees (can be members

without being on committee) and the payment process. Revised draft agreed and will be presented at AGM.

AGM – will need to present changes to Trustees and constitution. L / TC to write summary of changes to be displayed on notice board.

Booking terms – should this state about closing club for private functions? To be changed to clubs' discretion.

New Website – Ben presented two options and it was agreed on a mix of the two. Website will be complete by end of January. Monthly costs - £15 email / £29 website then every two years £70 for domain name. Committee thanked Ben for this.

Ben volunteered to join new committee to be raised at AGM proposed JW / seconded TC.

Treasurer's report – Bookers credit increased to £2k. Bank balance at end of December £22,785, currently £24,246. Nothing to be transferred to savings. Spent £4206 against sales of £12,940. Float to be increased to £200.

Bookings – games morning to be confirmed.

Membership – form to be changed to cards available in 4 weeks. 34 new members agreed. TC will issue cards.

Honorary membership – to be granted to long standing members with outstanding service to club. Alan Couchman / John Couchman / Richard Norman / David Banfield / Peter Botten. No longer required to pay for membership.

AoB

Annual accounts – TC / NM to talk to Catherine Catchpole.

Worldpay – DW requires information from all committee members to be able to set up.

Kitchen – urn and oven to be repaired.

Next meeting – 6th February 2024.