Winsford Recreation Association

Draft minutes of the Winsford Recreation Association
Held on Thursday 20th October at 6pm in Winsford Village Hall
Present: Frazer Lawrence (FL) - Chair, Ian Whybrow (IW) - Treasurer, Jayne Luscott (JL)
- Secretary, David Luscott (DL), Sue Hayes (SH), Mike Hayes (MH), Ros Dearing (RD),
Jane Orchiston (JO), Andrew Blackmore (AB)

FL opened the meeting at 18.00.

1. Opening remarks - Chair

The chair welcomed Andrew Blackmore to the Association and thanked him for attending.

2. Apologies

Apologies from BN.

3. Conflicts of interest

None.

4. Approval of Minutes of 2nd September 2022

All agreed.

5. Pumpkin Carving Competition

The event will take place on 29th October 2022. Discussion on decorating the green with lights etc. Purchasing of batteries for lights and sweets for the children, plus prizes for adults and children. JO, RD, JL to purchase prizes etc and give receipts to IW for reimbursement. JO to check for the stakes for pumpkin entries. JL suggested Jayne Davis (Royal Oak) and Teresa Thomson (Bridge Cottage Tearoom) as Pumpkin judges, all agreed. It was agreed that we would put stars in the trees for the children to find and then give a treat. Set up agreed to be done at 2pm on the 29th by JL, JO, RD, DL. Risk assessment to be done by DL. Hay bales to be supplied by MH for seating and the photographs. DL to make signs for the entrances.

6. Elvis

DL stated that Elvis is costing £1000 and that we have covered this with current sales and commitments. Decision made to offer remaining tickets to surrounding villages. DL to arrange the bar. IW offered to help with the door and the bar on the evening. FL said he would speak to John French about sound equipment. JO to confirm Elvis's equipment requirements. Decorations and set up to be done on the morning of the 19th November. DL, JL, RD, JO to organise.

7. Father Christmas Event

Confirmation of date is 22nd December. JO stated that we had not charged for this event in the past. Last year we asked for donations and got around £70, with costs around £120. FL asked for a show of hands on whether it should be donations only this year. All agreed. JO said she would organise and ask for help where needs be. The tearoom was last years venue. it was decided to ask Teresa & Roy if they wanted to do it again this year. If not, the village hall would be the venue.

8. Finance

IW advised income excluding events coming up is £3273. Expenditure is £2025. Surplus year to date is £1248. Total resources including Charibond is £9,500. FL to check on the Mower Invoice with James How, to see if we still owe the cricket club. FL gave IW the Hedge bill for payment of £180.

9. Update Charity governance/Trustees with Charities Commission

FL stated that at the moment Beverley Flanagan is the only person named as a trustee with the Charities Commission. FL proposed that all on the committee become Trustees. IW stated that when you register the trustees you will need to give dates of birth and if they are a trustee of any other charity. FL to get the password for the Charities Commission online access from Gerry Flanagan. FL asked everyone to email him on frazermlawrence@yahoo.co.uk with the above information. FL asked for a show of hands for agreement to all being trustees. All agreed. It was discussed about BN's involvement as she is a representative of the Parish Council and it was decided she would not be included as her role is as a liaison between the Parish Council and the WRA.

10. AOB

JO asked if anything needed doing at the cricket field or tennis courts. AB said that the pavilion had been cleaned by Di Bowley and she had washed the net curtains etc., benches put inside, drained the water. FL stated the tennis courts were all good. FL wanted a thank you in the minutes to Charles Hayes for cutting the grass. AB thought that due to all the work that the late Chris How had done for the Cricket Team that it would be a good to put up a plaque naming the pavilion the Chris How Memorial Pavilion. All agreed. AB to arrange. DL to organise the November draw of the 100 Club.

11. Closing remarks (Chair)

FL thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 18.55.

12. Date of next meeting

Thursday 26th January 2023 in the Village Hall at 18.00