

## HORSMONDEN SOCIAL CLUB COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting Tuesday 2 March 2020, 19.45 at Social Club, Horsmonden

Present: Lindsey Chave LC(Chair), Nick Belton NB, David Watson DW, Ann Coyne AMC(Treasurer), Chris Reed CR, Richard Edmed RE, Bill Payne BP, Paul Fleury PF, Alison Scott AS, Billie Edmonds-Bell BEB, Ian Read IR, John Ridley JR, Lawrence Arscott LA, Pat Kellas PK

Apologies: Jan Botten JB

February Minutes: Agreed

### Chairperson's Report

We have had the offer of taking on a Piano for the Club. It was put to the floor at the AGM, where there was a larger vote against taking on a Piano, seeing as the Club had only recently struggled to find a home for the previous Piano in the Club. The meeting stood by the vote at the AGM.

Nostalgia event raised – it was noted the John Freeman needs to pay his Sub for 2020!

### Premises

Quote for stage £750 to remove wall and expand stage area was agreed by committee. Separate quote for cupboard £707 . Decided to leave cupboard until we have decided on chairs. Present chairs are comfortable but too heavy to move and take up a lot of storage space, so need to be replaced. Lindsey has seen some suitable chairs and will buy one chair as a sample (in navy) to see if ok. It is padded.

New Coffee machine had arrived and then had to be returned. It should be coming back soon.

Nick to arrange a date for getting the Cellar floor re-laid.

Kitchen Oven cleaning continues to be monitored.

### Social Events

- St Patrick's evening (21<sup>st</sup> March) – All in hand. David could not get Beer he wanted, so getting a local equivalent.
- St George's evening (25<sup>th</sup> April) – Mockingjay Band are booked.
- VE Day 8<sup>th</sup> May – Plans firming up now. Evening Entertainment booked, yet to confirm afternoon entertainment. HoVEC will do the BBQ and Social Club will do Childrens' Entertainment. DW volunteered to co-ordinate proceedings.
- Summer Festival – RE met with HoVEC and they were very pleased the Social Club has volunteered once again to run the Bar. This year we will do the Bar on Friday evening, Saturday, and Sunday. On Saturday, we will also do the Pimms that FoHPS have previously done, on the proviso we contribute to FoHPS funds. Security has been arranged by HoVEC.

- Piper booked for 2021 Burns night.
- Beer Festival has been moved back to original date of 18<sup>th</sup> July.

#### Secretary's Report

Bookings are all emailed, as soon as received, round to committee and no response is taken as assent.

#### Treasurer's Report

We have £69,884.62 in the bank as at end of February.

Ann pleased with bank card, as makes Treasurer's job much easier.

Following last month, it was agreed that a Natwest Community Bank account will be opened to run alongside the existing Current Account. Anne Coyne, and Nick Belton will be the account holders, same as the current.

Auditor has recommended that in future we need to get receipts for all outgoings, eg catering/entertainment, and to be aware of payments from Petty Cash. AC to devise receipt slip for people to sign to say they have received money.

#### Bar Volunteers

Bar rota covered for March.

#### Membership Secretary

So far 417 members paid for this year, of which 68% are Seniors, and 1% Juniors. There are 62 members yet to renew. There have been £748.10 in donations to Kell's fund.

The conversion of the Newsletter across to Membermojo went well, with only 4 bounce-backs outstanding. We have now had to pay £75 for Membermojo.

#### Any Other Business

David has spoken with the chap who wrote the Fire Safety report of last year, to see if the improvements we have made are sufficient. He said the maximum number he suggested in the report was only a recommendation to comply with Best Practice, not to comply with the law. David has since spoken with a Fire Safety advisor to discuss capacity numbers, and other matters in last year's H & S report, particularly with regards to the capacity. David will circulate the report for all to see in time for the next meeting.

#### Action Points

LC to purchase a chair!

DW to circulate capacity comments

NB to arrange a date for getting the Cellar floor re-laid.

AC to devise receipt slip

Date and time of next meeting: Tuesday 7 April, 19.45

