

## HORSMONDEN SOCIAL CLUB COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting Tuesday 4 October 2022, 19.45

Present: Lindsey Chave LC(Chair), Nick Belton NB, Richard Edmed RE, Ann Coyne AC, Dave Watson DW, Alison Scott AS, Jan Botten JB, Sidney Cornish SC, Pat Kellas PK, Jimmy Webb JW, Paul Fleury PF, Nick Miller NM

Apologies: Bridgette Walsh, Lawrence Arscott

September Minutes: Agreed

### Chairperson's Report

In recent weeks there has been some wastage of beers. There has been a lot of choice and maybe we need to reduce the choice. Committee decided to keep more local brewers. Also, due to the cost of living increases, we decided to have small increases of between 10 and 20p on most drinks from 1 November.

Blinds - JB had several quotes – Barsleys £622 (cheapest) Penumbra Blinds £768. Although dearer, it was felt that we would get a better deal with Penumbra (who were local like Barsleys) and the patterns were nicer. As a committee we chose the Lomond Wild Hare check from Penumbra.

The leaking roof has recently been fixed. The hot water has been playing up and basically a new water tank needs to be fitted. DWS has confirmed they will carry out works within next 3 weeks– fitting new water tank, nest thermostat for the heating and a Watchman for oil tank. Other quotes were not obtained in this instance as DWS knows the system and does annual service. Plus, he is local to the village.

A new external electric socket and replacement lights (others are malfunctioning) in front of the memorial to be fitted.

### Events

Club is involved in the Halloween Hovec on Sat 29 October – bar open from 6pm onwards as there is a private function up until then. There will be several events such as Pumpkin Trail. Many of them based inside and outside the Club. On Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> Oct there will be pumpkin carving competition in the club.

Gin Tasting 26 November– Liam has organized it all. He has priced for up to 70 attendees.

Xmas Raffle – Club will donate first prize of £250. The rest will all be cash prizes with money no less than £25. Will base it on selling 1500 squares.

Club is involved in Hovec Xmas Festival – 1<sup>st</sup> w/end in December so Xmas Tree will need to be erected before then. Our bar will be inside the marquee which will have matting, heating and lights. Hovec would like a donation towards the marquee. Discussed it and decided on £1000 donation as Hovec have spent over £6000 on marquee. In addition we provide heating, lighting and cooking facilities. On the Friday, the Green Market will be on with after 7pm HSC will put on Xmas Karaoke. On Saturday

Xmas Market on all day. HSC bar on most of afternoon and evening. On the Sunday, Church service and Christingle .

15<sup>th</sup> Dec – East Peckham Brass Band will use the club.

New Year – will not book a band but do our own party/BBQ/Karaoke perhaps.

Back in Time Band have contacted Lindsey and will book them hopefully for next 22<sup>nd</sup> April and have curry night at same time.

Football World Cup in Nov and Dec. Club may do some football dates.

#### Treasurer's Report

Bank Balance at end of September is £90,182.73. Up approx. £300 on last month. EDF utility bill goes up from £400 to £555/month soon.

#### Membership

New members have asked about their cards. DW has put the newest ones in the box on the bar. 8 new members. Membership up to 453 (40% adults and 60% seniors).

#### Bar Rota

Paul reported that October was covered by volunteers.

#### AOB

JW – asked about an advert to advertise our bar prices to try to draw in more people. Will do so on Facebook.

Date and time of next meeting : Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November at 7.45pm.