

HORSMONDEN SOCIAL CLUB COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting Tuesday 7 September 2021, 19.45

Present: Lindsey Chave LC(Chair), Nick Belton NB, John Ridley JR, Richard Edmed RE, Jan Botten JB, Pat Kellas PK, Lawrence Arscott LA, Chris Reed CR, David Watson DW, Bridgette Walsh BW, Sidney Cornish SC, Nick Miller NM.

Apologies: Paul Fleury , Ian Read , Ann Coyne

August Minutes: Agreed

Chairperson's Report

It was agreed that £7.50/hour should be suggested as the donation for use of the Club. CR will add to application form and inform societies already booked.

The list of keyholders was updated.

It was pointed out that the War Memorial had not been cleaned satisfactorily.

Treasurer's Report

Bank Balance at end of August £76,776.14

It was felt that a Savings account is now urgently needed to be opened.

Entertainer for Beer Festival still not been paid.

Secretary's Report

Have not received a confirmed booking for Ukelele Band and it was felt that this could only be offered fortnightly on a Saturday norming because of working Committee Members who were only free on this day to carry out work for the Club.

Bridge Club have booked weekly 2-4pm on Tuesdays, commencing 5th October.

Zoom contract now been cancelled.

Premises

DW raised a few items:-

The Parish Council are in the process of asking for quotes for new windows and 2 fire exit doors. Also the gutters and valley need to be cleaned regularly to prevent flooding of the premises, twice a year is ideal. We owe thanks to Lewis coming to our aid recently and suggest the PC contact him.

It was decided that fairly regular entertainments should be arranged for a Saturday night.

Cellar cooler now replaced. Contacting Marstons regarding the Fosters single line being replaced by a four line, meaning we could run 4 pumps. Would mean digging up bar floor and hoping they would be prepared to pay for this work.

Events

Saturday 16 October - Karaoke

Saturday 23 October – Back in Time Band

Saturday 27 November – Race Night

Also a training evening for new and old bar volunteers Saturday 9 October.

New Year's Eve still not booked.

AOB

We presume the service at the War Memorial will be on 14 November. We have many wreaths for Societies that can be recycled and suggest a donation of £20 to the Poppy Appeal. It was pointed out that a few Societies did not pay the Club last time. PK will liaise with the Church.

Lindsey to organize a decluttering of the Club premises.

Donated rice to be taken to the Paddock Wood Food Bank and Pat will take toothbrushes for Christmas boxes abroad.

LA to put items in Parish News.

Masks to be worn at peoples' discretion but it is preferable that customers do not stand at the bar and hand hygiene to be encouraged.

A majority decided that a Response Box for the Neighbourhood Plan is not appropriate for the Club as we agree to stay neutral.

Date and time of next meeting : Tuesday 5 October at 7.45pm.