NOTES FROM TCC MANAGEMENT MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 24TH APRIL, 2023

Present:

Matthew Grant, Tony Yeates, Linda Martin, Anita Langford, John Smith, Ken Wood, Jim Spence, Kay Walker

Apologies:

Angie Yeates, Andrew Locke, Geoff Crump, Pam Maxwell, Ann Schuberth, Vinnie Kalcut

Declaration of Interest:

There were no Declarations of Interest.

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

TY had reported an incident which had occurred at the rear of the stage; in the previous minutes it was agreed to send a note to TADs reminding them of the need to ensure adequate lighting but as it was after the event it was now agreed that there was no need to send a note. In the meantime TY has spoken to the TADS Chair and James Blackford.

Matters arising not on the Agenda:

AL to ask PC to send an invoice for the mini-cops project.

AL has written to the Beer Festival and we have their cheque.

Finance: Treasurer's Report: (copy attached)

March Income £19,302, running costs £2,682, projects expenditure nil, Cash in Bank £80,630.21 (Clydesdale Bank A/C), Investments £11,968.72 (CCLA A/C). The March income includes the crowd funding money which will be spent shortly on new windows.

Agreed this was a positive report.

Business Secretary's Report – (attached)

AL said that business rates discretionary relief is under review by CWaC and it will be a large impact on us. AL has written to our MP and he will get back to us when he hears back from CWaC. J Smith has been looking into how we should publicise and run our AGM now we are a CIO. There are some differences from when we were a Registered Charity. Still working on this and will report back when completed.

Bookings Secretary: (copy attached)

AL said that bookings are up compared to last year. March had our highest number of bookings at 203. New yoga class to start in June 2023 on a Monday night for 2.5 hours.

TENS – 10 have been issued this year and we have got one for a fundraiser in two weeks. Going well with bookings.

Maintenance & Projects: (report attached)

TY confirmed water meter replaced, fire and safety inspection has been done and report awaited. Need to study and debate this.

Tree surgery has been completed by Tree Musketeers and they have been very helpful.

The new double-glazed windows will be installed in w/c 30th May.

Cooney Insulations have re-quoted for the cavity wall insulation. The quote has increased by 18% and will be queried. This is based on having the work done during Aug.

Surveyors have been requested to survey the field and determine a fair rent. Change of staff at BA Commercial and new man is Nick Edwards who will brief himself next week and a site visit will take place during May.

NO and TY looking at energy systems for the future and will give a status report. TY and NO had discussions with Dr. Mike Tough who is an expert in PV arrays and energy storage and has been responsible for the Jessie Hughes project. Meeting to take place soon. We will need planning permission. He has asked for half-hourly electricity import readings for the last year. Smart meter cannot be transferred to the new supplier. Need a new smart meter which will be installed on 5th June.

Need to do something about the Potterton boiler because spares will not be available after 2026. Need to decide whether to replace the boiler, which is about, 14 years old. The Worcester boilers supplying the CR/AM area and main foyer area have so far been very reliable, one is 10 years old and the other 14 years old. TY has also been looking at the possibility of heating the main hall using reverse cycle heat pumps similar to the ones just installed at Jessie Hughes (see TY's report for possible benefits).

Meetings:

All agreed to face-to-face meetings, maybe on zoom during winter months. AL will book Committee room from now on.

Carnival Stall:

AL to arrange meeting of NMC about A4 triple folded leaflet to show her what we are looking at and the quality of the paper. Possibly need 1,000 leaflets. Need to get draft to them to look at the layout. Carnival is on 8th July. J Smith suggested a long banner costing roughly £50 for a 3 metre banner with Tarporley CC on it which would be retained for future events. TY to talk to GB signs at Fisher's Green. LM, AL, TY to man the stall. Need to agree the rota at the June meeting.

Warm Room/Social Club:

AL said that the weekly Warm Room ended on 14th April. KW to re-name as Social Club as poorly named as Warm Room. KW said bingo would be on once a fortnight with an entry charge, about £60 in the pot at present. Lisa and KW happy to give time on this. Lisa and Ken also do a food bank.

Ukrainian Fund Raiser:

AL said Ann Williams from Rotary is organising a social for Ukrainians. We agreed to give them the usual discount we allow for charity fundraisers – one hour's free set-up time. As it is a Rotary event, they will get the standard 20% account holders discount. The Ukrainian group is made up of volunteers. The pattern of English lessons is not working so teachers are having a meeting to decide what they are doing. Their grant runs out in July and does she want to continue with that? No funds ongoing.

Any Other Business:

Gardening - AY has been working on the wild flower area taking out all the plants that have died and re-seeded. Rob is being forgetful about getting his diary up-to-date and putting in his timesheets. He has requested a pay increase. Hourly rate manual work £13.50 mechanical rate £16. AY to liaise with VK to check what he has been paid.

Keys – None outstanding, U3A to account for all their user groups. A key has been given to the Returning Officer for the elections. AY has received favourable comments about how the TCC is kept.

TY said the youths kick footballs against the back of the building and they have been hitting the triple vents and 3 are now broken. Need to replace them. New football signs need to be erected, TY to arrange for 3 signs to be put up.

KW talked about people giving donations to CC by standing order and gift aid maybe become a 'Friend of Tarporley CC', say £2 a month. To be discussed as to whether legal etc.

KW said the carpark looks scruffy around the edges. Can we have a clean- up? Perhaps in August we have a get together and power-wash some areas.

MG said that Rotary are having a Charity dinner on 13th June at Nunsmere Hall, all are welcome. (see attached)

Date of next Meeting:

The date of the next meeting is Monday, 29th May, 2023, in the Committee Room.