



The Village Club Green Hammerton

The Village Club The Social Club Green Hammerton York Limited Annual General Meeting

20 January 2017

Attendees: Paul Evans (PE), Malcom Horner, Joanne Nottingham, Sue Evans, Dougie Mack, Simon Mack, Carol Pass, Roy Woodward, Colin Rennison, Daniel Robinson, Jean Davey, Robert Wrathall, Paul Dacey, Phil Jackson, Lorraine Jackson, Martin Helliwell, Frankie Helliwell, Ian Mattocks, Judy Mattocks, Rose Mattocks, Jean Davey, Brian Fox, June Fox, Les Weatherill, Bob Mitchell, James Nottingham, Mark Nottingham, Marion Spence,

Apologies: Iain Ellston, Colin Dougherty, Keith Horner, Gordon Harrison, Judy Harrison, Karen Helliwell, Chris Nottingham, David Taylor, Rita Walsh

Minutes of the AGM of the Village Club, Green Hammerton Social Club York.

1. Minutes

The meeting opened with a quorum of 26 at 19:08 with Paul Evans apologising for the lack of a PowerPoint presentation due to Chris Nottingham's illness.

2. Approval of previous a GM minutes dated 22 January 2016

The minutes were read by Paul Evans approval was proposed by Paul Dacey and seconded by Joanne Nottingham. Minutes were approved by vote.

3. Auditors report of accounts

Paul Evans presented the auditors report of accounts.

Questions regarding entertainment and raffles were raised by Ian Mattocks, Carol Pass and Bob Mitchell. These were in particular regard to allocation of income and costs for Raffles, country and western and Sky TV.

Malcolm Horner asked why bar takings were down by 17% for Paul Evans said a multitude of reasons including reduced membership, members dying, members moving away and that some people that simply did not want to come in. Paul Evans also commented that the organisation CAMRA are saying over 20 pubs are closing per week.

Carol Pass questioned why certain young farmers no longer came into the club.

Paul Evans explained that this was because some of them had moved away from the village to Boroughbridge.

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P&L 2015 - 16

£	2015	2016	Change
Bar Revenue	80,655	66,362	-17.8%
Cost of Sales	38,750	31,906	-15.7%
Other revenue	8,157	8,232	1%
Expenses	47,789	44,551	-6.8%
Net Profit (Loss)	2,273	(1,863)	-
Members	243	206	-15.3%

Ian Mattocks and Colin Rennison claimed that the club beer prices were not competitive this was countered by Bob Mitchell claiming that this was not the issue for falling turnover.

Ian Mattocks and Roy Woodward stated that there was not enough atmosphere.

At this stage Carol Pass stated that Martin Helliwell should not be on the committee this aspect is covered later in the minutes.

Andrea Barnes said that the question should be asked as to why people are not coming in rather than purely speculating about the reason.

Dougie Mack queried the reduction in water rates Paul Evans explained that the club had undergone a rolling program of improvements which had resulted in both water and electric monthly costs reducing substantially.



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Rose Mattocks stated it was not worth opening on a Sunday afternoon. This was countered as Sunday evening is often worse trading than Sunday afternoon which is sometimes quite busy.

Ian Mattocks queried why Saturday opening hours have not been reduced following Sky TV being terminated. He was advised that the hours had been reduced and that this had been communicated on the web site, by email and on the club opening hours notice board.

4. Committee report.

Paul Evans presented the committee report. He thanked Mandy, the committee members and others who had helped the club throughout the year often with unseen hard work. Paul Evans added that there is only a small committee with people giving a lot of their time and that more support it is needed.

Paul Evans advised of all the work that had been completed during the last financial year namely bar seating, LED lighting, cellar insulation, damp areas in the flat remedied, the car park potholes filled in and the redecoration of the bar area and function room including all of the doors and the windows inside and out.

Paul Evans also reported that the priorities for the committee are now to replace the bar carpet and to address the exterior of the building which is in need of redecorating.

Ian Mattocks and Robert Wrathall both felt that subscription charges were too high with Ian Mattocks saying that subscriptions should be discussed at the AGM. [This would contradict Club Rules, which state that subscriptions for the year shall be decided at Committee Meeting at least 2 months before the end of the calendar year and communicated to members immediately thereafter.]

Carol Pass questioned the large range of numbers used in the members draw it was explained that this is in the process of being addressed. It was also claimed that members suggestions e.g. Alan Sykes's suggestion to return to using a bag of balls for the members of draw rather than using iPads and iPhones had been ignored. This was rebuked pointing out the impracticality of using a bag of balls had been considered at committee and decided against which was clearly reported in the committee meeting minutes which are posted on the club notice board and on the web site.

June Fox stated that the committee had been voting illegally due to not having quorum this was clearly rebuked and it was explained that under the current rules that are different to those of the CIEU used when she was Secretary and that quorum had been achieved on every occasion and this was clearly indicated as such in the committee meeting minutes readily available to members.



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The approval of the auditors report was proposed by Ian Mattocks and seconded by Joanne Nottingham. The auditors report was subsequently approved by vote.

5. Appointment of auditors

It was proposed by Ian Mattocks and seconded by Simon Mack that the club continue to use our existing auditors, this was approved by vote.

6. Written proposals to the secretary

A proposal to change the club rule 48 regarding visitors to the club made by Martin Helliwell and Frankie Helliwell had been received by the Secretary. Paul Evans explained that the club is constituted as a members club and that membership will always be an issue.

It was mentioned that for private functions the proposed £1, (one pound) visitor charge would be waived.

A vote was taken and the result was five in favour seven against with the remainder abstaining the motion was therefore defeated.

7. Appointment of officers

Chairman.

Bob Mitchell and Paul Evans stood as candidates. Bob Mitchell was proposed by Paul Dacey and seconded by Joanne Nottingham. Paul Evans was proposed by Ian Mattocks and seconded by Martin Helliwell. A vote was taken and 21 were in favour of Paul Evans and three were in favour of Bob Mitchell. Paul Evans was therefore duly re-elected as Chairman.

Secretary

Chris Nottingham was re-elected unopposed being proposed by Ian Mattocks and seconded by Roy Woodward.

Treasurer.

Sue Evans was re-elected unopposed after being proposed by Dougie Mack and seconded by Joanne Nottingham.

Vice-Chairman

Iain Elston had resigned from the position of Vice Chairman. Bob Mitchell was proposed by Sue Evans and seconded by Phil Jackson and was subsequently voted unopposed as Vice-Chairman.

Paul Evans confirmed that the three officers of Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer would once again forego their honoraria payment for 2017.



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Election of committee members.

Committee members resigning were Ian Elston, Lewis Gibson, Karen Helliwell, and Joanne Nottingham,

Paul Dacey was proposed by Frankie Helliwell and seconded by Joanne Nottingham and was elected by majority vote.

Martin Helliwell was proposed by Sue Evans seconded by Bob Mitchell and was duly elected on a vote of 6 to 4.

Frankie Helliwell was proposed by Joanne Nottingham and seconded by Sue Evans. Following heated discussion from Carol Pass, Rose Mattocks and Judy Mattocks regarding Frankie's relation to Mandy (a similar situation exists with Martin and previously existed with Karen Helliwell since Mandy became Steward). Frankie Helliwell presented her side of the situation. A vote was taken which resulted in a tie of six for her and six against at which point Paul Evans used his casting vote as chair in favour of Frankie her position was therefore confirmed as a committee member of the club.

David Taylor was proposed by Joanne Nottingham and seconded by Bob Mitchell and was approved as a committee member by majority vote.

Paul Evans asked every member attending if they were willing to stand on the committee. Disappointingly there were no offers to join the committee.

Paul Evans expressed his disappointment at the level of engagement.

Roy Woodward suggested that we should advertise for committee members and this was agreed to be actioned after the meeting.

8. Any other business

Malcolm Horner stated his disappointment in Sky TV being removed but he also stated he recognised the reasons for doing so. Malcolm also thanked the committee for all their work and expressed his vote of confidence which was followed by applause.

The AGM closed at 20.45.

C G Nottingham
Secretary

Attachments.

Committee Report for year ending 30 September.