

## **AGM MINUTES**

Date: - 7<sup>th</sup> October 2025 Time: - 7pm

**Attendees:-** Martin Church, Ellie Pearce, Rob Pearce, Jo Church, Joy Collins, Michelle Davies, Phil Pollard, Simon Berry, Dave Price

Apologies: - Nil

Trustees: - Dennis Buswell, Rob Pearce

**Public:** - Sam Wheller, Chris and Mike McDonagh, Kevin Frame, Dennis Buswell Sarah Atkins, John Davies,

- 1. Welcome to the public and introduction to current committee
- 2. Business arising from previous AGM Minutes
  - a. Hall becoming registered to perform wedding ceremonies
    - i. Due to costs and other issues it was not pursued further.
  - b. Trees affected by Ash die-back
    - No preservation order but trees were formally tagged.
      Arron Adams talked to TDC, explained the condition and it was agreed to remove the trees.
  - c. Creation of website
    - i. Up and running, as well as Facebook page. Lots of traffic and information including The Bugle.
  - d. Committee WhatsApp group
    - i. All set up and working well.
  - e. WhatsApp group to circulate The Bugle
    - After some investigation it was decided it was not feasible.
      The bugle readily available on the website and will be on the VH Facebook page from November onwards.

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- 3. Chair's/Secretary's update (Martin Church)
  - a. Please see attached sheet
- 4. Treasurer's report (Ellie Pearce)
  - a. Please see attached sheet



## 5. Comments/questions from the public

- a. Heating questions raised by Mike McDonagh. Dennis informed all that the system is not big enough for the building. Limited options available. 3 options have been looked at but still ongoing. Sam Wheller mentioned Solar panels being increased in number to raise income.
- b. Sam Wheller raised questions re Doorstep Green. Silver birch trees that were planted have died/not been looked after. He feels the field is not being managed to its potential. Informed room that various groups have posted advice to look after areas like ours. Sam mentioned management of the field. Rob Pearce talked about how the field has improved in use over 14 years but acknowledged that some areas need work still. Martin raised point that the village should help decide what they would want to see happen to the field. Simon Berry talked about increasing diversity in perhaps fenced off areas in corners etc but will have costs. Simon and Sam will draw up some plans for further consideration to include possible questionnaires to the village.
- c. Simon Berry passed on thanks on behalf of the parish council.

## 6. Invitation to public to join the committee

a. Sam Wheller is happy to stand in any role as required. As there was no proposer this was not carried forward.

## 7. Election of Committee and roles for 2025 – 2026

- a. Chair. Martin Church. Proposed by Simon, Seconded by Joy.
- b. Secretary/vice chair. Dave Price. Proposed by Martin, Seconded by Rob.
- c. Treasurer. Ellie Pearce. Proposed by Martin, Seconded by Jo.
- d. Booking coordinator. Jo Church. Proposed by Rob, Seconded by Ellie.
- e. H&S Officer. Phil Pollard and Jo Church. Proposed by Martin, Seconded by Ellie.

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f. Safeguarding lead. Michelle Davies. Proposed by Jo, Seconded by Martin

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- 8. Date of next meeting: 4th Nov at 7:10pm (1st of new committee).
- 9. AGM closed at 2000 followed by refreshments.

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