MINUTES OF THE MAIN COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 11^{TH} JANUARY 2024

Present:

Chairman: Paul Carter

Committee: Steve Shoesmith, John Walter, Steve Saunders, Geb Locke, Keith

Baker, Rodney Shoesmith, Chris Cooper and Carl Charman.

Co-opted:

1. Admin Report

Jenny presented the accounts for end 2023. The end year result is a great one with a surplus of £8,400, 4% ahead of budget. While the accountant's audit usually adjusts this figure somewhat, Jenny doesn't expect it to change a great deal.

Jenny will also be working on the 2024 budgets in the coming weeks, so will have that available for the next meeting. A wage rise is coming in April, so to offset this, the bar prices will be rising in increments from January.

Jenny also reported that both water and BT broadband accounts are due for renewal in the next month, so she will be shopping around on both of these to obtain the best possible deal.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes were sent to the committee prior to the meeting and were agreed by a show of hands.

3. Grant Applications

Paul suggested that Jenny take on the role of obtaining grants going forward now that her workload allows.

4. Apologies for Absence

Richard Edwards, Les Watson, Nicola Cox, Keith Veness, Terry Merchant, Bruce Dowling and Bob Sage.

5. Secretary's Report and Correspondence

Paul asked Steve about Saturday nights and functions as some older members have been making comments. Steve answered that functions on Saturday nights, while remaining open to regulars has worked well financially as they pay for either the band or the hire and the night continues for regulars as normal.

6. Membership Applications

24 social, one angling and one boat applications were received which were all

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approved by the committee.

7. Any Other Business

- **a.** Steve asked about Fat Tuesday and Jenny confirmed that it is going ahead, but slightly scaled back. They have confirmed, however, that the reggae night that is held here on the Tuesday is going ahead.
- b. Chris suggested that we should have some signage for the beach and parking area to warn of potential hazards. Chris will make arrangements and Paul and Steve agreed that this need not wait to next meeting and can go ahead with spend. Jenny also mentioned that our cleaning supplier has bags of rock salt available for £12 each and it was agreed that we should go ahead and order two.
- **c.** Keith Baker reported that the engraving is now being down by Top Flight which maybe more expensive, so need to factor this into this year's costs.
- **d.** Geb mentioned that it is being noticed by members that the club are getting very hot on parking regulations.
- e. The next meeting will take place on Thursday 8th February.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 19:24