

SHERBURN IN ELMET COMMUNITY TRUST
MINUTES FOR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
6.00pm on 23rd November 2020

Present: Paul Doherty, Gary Limbert, Kevin Sibson, Karen Packham, Andy Robertson, Hazel Elderkin, Adele Christie and Andrew Potts

Apologies: Alma Hodgson

Invited Attendees: Tom Jenkinson and Ellen Schofield

Declaration of Interest: PD as Parish Councilor

Minutes of Previous AGM: Approved

Reappointment of the committee: PD agreed to continue as Chair. KS to continue as Vice Chair. AP to continue as Secretary. AC to become Treasurer. All other Trustees agreed to continue as members of the Trust.

Chair's Report:

Summary

Our Trustees Annual Report for the year ending 31st March 2020 is available on the Charity Commission website and the key points are noted below. However, the period from March 2020 to date has been a challenging one due to the impact of Covid-19. We have been successful in applying for grants to help us through this period. The Treasurer will comment on this, but I am confident that the Trust will come through this test and be available to serve our community.

They key points for the year ending 31st March 2020 are:

Community Library

- Community Information Hub launched in November 2019.
- Runner up in Library of the Year (North Yorkshire).
- 100% of shifts have operated and library has never had to close.

Old Girls School Community Centre

- Community Cinema operating successfully with a dedicated team of volunteers.
- Annual report submitted to the Big Lottery Fund and accepted by them.
- Wide range of activities including the Memory Café, Parish Nurses, Citizens Advice Bureau and also activity sessions for young people.
- Operating successfully and ahead of budget as a community centre.

Community Development

- Welcome to Sherburn booklet published and distributed to all homes, with additional copies available for new residents.
- The quarterly community newsletter, the Sherburn Informer, continues to be published on a bi-monthly basis.
- The Community Development Manager has met and advised a large number of community societies and groups and given advice regarding community projects and grants.
- Pocket Park – a successful grant application for £17,500 developed in conjunction with the Parish Council, but the work has not been able to start due to the coronavirus crisis.
- Community Minibus bookings are managed by the CDM and she has helped ensure that this important service is run on a sustainable basis.

Youth Provision

- Lease discussions with North Yorkshire County Council regarding the library garage were not successful. An alternative building at Eversley Park is being developed by the Parish Council and work is ongoing.
- Funds of £11,000 granted by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner are being repurposed for use at Eversley Park.

Coronavirus

- Community Trust agree to be the enabling body for Sherburn Coronavirus Aid Group (SCAG).
- Community Development Manager acts as coordinator for SCAG.
- Call centre for local residents operational on the first day of lockdown (23rd March 2020).
- Second call centre opened on 30th March 2020 to coordinate the response in nearby villages.

Tom Jenkinson thanked the Trust for it's hard work and success with taking on now making the Library and the OGS. The Community response to Covid has been both positive and powerful and Tom thanked the Trust on behalf of NYCC for the work and commitment for their support. In particular the staff and volunteers.

The Chair thanked Tom for his support for the Trust, through the Stronger Communities programme. This support was always available when needed by the Trust in difficult times.

Treasurer's Report:

Accounts were presented for the OGS and the for the Library.

Overall income was £104,465

Expenditure £81,927

Nett receipt £22,538

It was noted that the Trust currently is holding a restricted grant of £25,000 for the Pocket Park regeneration scheme.

A grant of £11,000 was repaid to the Parish Council to assist in funding youth facilities at the Rugby Club on Eversley Park

Income generated was from donations, legacies, grants, fundraising, service provision and room hire.

The balance was healthy and in place for funding continued works on the OGS and the Library.

Accounts were produced by Childs and have been submitted to the Charity Commission.

PD proposed Childs to continue with the accounts. Seconded by KS.

PD proposed the accounts to be accepted. Seconded by KS.

Approved by all Trustees.

The Chair thanked the Treasurer for her continued hard work.

Any other business:

PD thanked Ellen Schofield for the fantastic work from the Library Management Goup, especially with current refurbishments.

Allyson Chambers was also thanked for her great work as Chair of MOGS and FOGS.