

## ATVH Minutes 19<sup>th</sup> February 2020

**Present:** Geoff Plass, Ian Jones, Rod Peterkin, Irene Bain, Sue Plass, Derek Massey, Dan Heaphy, Andy Cross, John Rimmer, Chris Massey, Alison Massey,

**Apologies:** Neil Phelps, Michelle Dean, Amanda Yarwood

1. **Approval of minutes** Irene Bain approved seconded by Sue Plass
2. **Review of actions if not covered in the Agenda.** None
3. **Chairman's update.** All members for whom we have an email address will be emailed regarding the AGM. The chairman thanked Derek, Alison and Chris for the work they had done in acquiring and fitting the carpet which looks superb. He confirmed that the hand dryers were installed and functioning.
4. **Secretary's report.** Dan confirmed that we now have HRMC status that allows us to claim Gift Aid on donations made by individuals. The form the donor needs to complete is available from the Treasurer or can be downloaded from the HMRC website. Dan's side of the Race Night is in hand but he needs a DVD player. **Geoff will give one to Dan.**
5. **Treasurer's report.** Ian presented a draft budget for the forthcoming year so that any of the assumptions he had made could be challenged and amended. **He will produce a final version in due course.** Ian is investigating smart meters but pointed out that to fit one the power would be switched off for a day. Ian confirmed that the new bank account was working well.
6. **Operations Group**

### **Hall**

Irene confirmed that everything was running smoothly and that she had no issues.

### **Membership**

5 new members have joined since January 2 of which are from the Bloor development. Business card holders had now been put on each table to help encourage non members to join. Sue was concerned about the price increase having talked to the footballers but Irene reassured her that the new prices were considered good value. Anyone joining now will pay the old price and will get membership until April 2021.

### **Communications**

**A tab will be created for Bawming and other events.** It will be possible to pay for membership etc through the website. The new notice board has been put up outside and the old one moved into the foyer. Both are a great improvement both visually and in terms of promoting the hall.

### **Bar/ Social.**

The carpets have been laid in the lounge and the pool room and the lights have been fitted in the lounge. We discussed whether additional lighting was needed in the lounge but decided

to see what the view was in a few months. The committee again thanked the Masseys and Geoff for all of their hard work. The Masseys are still considering the options for a card reader for the bar: Geoff explained that it was possible to get a reader that could be used for both the hall and the bar and would direct the payment to whichever the person taking the payment required. **More discussion will follow between Geoff and the Masseys.**

The outside signage for the bar was discussed and we agreed that a banner with our CAMRA award winning credentials should be erected so that it is more obvious that we are a bar.

**Derek will provide Sue with a list of members of the Golf Society so that she can confirm the non members who he can contact and get them to join.** Chris confirmed that we didn't win Club of the Year – that was won by the Cheltenham Motor Club and **we agreed to write to them with our congratulations.** However, in respect of the current year we have won the Branch Club award.

Chris was thanked for keeping the cask mountain in check.

### **Property & Management Andy Cross and Geoff Plass**

Andy thanked Alison for painting the doors. He pointed out a couple of things that had yet to be done – locks on the kitchen doors, weather bars on the bottom of the main outside doors – **John will follow these up.**

In spite of the weather the roof hasn't leaked which would indicate that at the moment the issue is maintenance and that the moss removal and gutter clearance has been the key. The roofer has yet to come out but Irene is aware of this.

The tree removal was discussed and in view of the quote we had being expensive **we and Chris Massey will get further quotes including one from Jim Lewis and Tim Stansfield.** One of the problems is the disposal of the small branches if we don't use a specialist.

The Soakaway. A meeting took place on 19<sup>th</sup> February and we will wait to see what comes of it. We have heard nothing from WBC and **Sue will be contacting our local councillors Ryan and Judith for further assistance once given a draft document from Andy/Geoff.** UU are also not responding so all in all it is incredibly frustrating. Peter next door has lost interest in connecting to the main sewer and has proceeded with another solution to his problems. The only way forward for us is to connect to the main sewer but this will entail both Building Regulation and Planning permission although Andy is not sure why. The total cost will be in excess of £15,000 but we would hope to get a grant. Sue confirmed that the new grant provider would consider a grant for the project but we can't apply until we have plans and costings.

We discussed Bawming and how we will fence off the area. Portable toilets were discussed but we agreed that the best course of action was to have the tank emptied the day before and then at about 6 pm on the day as even if we had portaloos people would still use our toilets and we would probably need the 6pm emptying anyway. We need to find someone who will do the 6 pm emptying. **Who will chase this action - Irene??**

Derek confirmed that the bar would do nothing other than open the bar.

### **Funding and Grants**

Sue confirmed the events we have for this year – Race Night 7 March, Clairvoyant Night 28 March, Acoustic Band 12 September, Christmas Fair 21 November. Beamish will perform but a date has yet to be finalised.

The application for a grant for the drains has been covered. Sue is taking part in a feedback survey regarding grants

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1. Committee meeting minutes to be published on the website and the internal notice board . GP
2. Details of the AGM to be distributed internally and by mailshot to existing members where we have an email address. SP/GP

**Date of next meeting AGM 25 March at 7.15 pm**