

WIDECOMBE COMMUNITY HALL CIO
(Charity registration number 1182621)

Minutes of Annual General Meeting No: 4 of the board of trustees
of Widecombe Community Hall CIO held at OLD WALLS, PONSWORTHY
on Monday 6th November, 7:30 pm.

PRESENT:	NAME	POSITION
	Yvette Elliott (YE)	Chair
	Polly McAfee (PM)	Vice-Chair
	Sarah Reeve (SR)	Secretary
	Lloyd Mortimore (LM)	Trustee
	Chris Elliott (CE)	Trustee
	Chris Mayhead (CM)	Trustee
IN ATTENDANCE:	Gail Fursdon (GF)	Finance Administrator
APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:	Iain Russell (IR) Alan Peake (AP)	Trustee Trustee
ABSENT WITHOUT APOLOGY:		

1. NOTICE AND QUORUM

- The chairman reported that sufficient notice of the meeting had been duly given and that a quorum was present. The chairman declared that the meeting was open.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- None.

3. MINUTES OF LAST AGM (10th October 2022) were shared and approved.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

- None

5. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

“Since our last AGM on 10th October 2022, the project has taken another great leap forwards. We were delighted to welcome Iain Russell onto the Board of Trustees, with his skills and expertise in the sustainable building sector. We also bade farewell to Kris Blood, who has been an invaluable member of the team, as a committee member of the Steering Group and latterly as a charity trustee, and our thanks go to her for her hard work in helping us to get to this point.

Fundraising events have been successful this year and, at year end (30th June), 80% of our local target of £50,000 had been raised. A very generous bequest was made to the charity from the

late Gary Cooper and this, along with other successful grant applications, has bolstered the reserves of the charity in readiness for commencing the main construction. Careful financial planning has resulted in two high interest accounts being opened for savings of £150,000 ensuring that the charity is earning additional sums whilst capital is not immediately required.

The Design Sub-committee has continued to ensure the hall design is tweaked and amended to be the best it can be. The appointment of Andrew Kirby Architects ensures professional support and guidance as the project moves towards the point of seeking tenders for the main build.

Since our Access Celebration event last September, the Hayes Field site has had significant further work completed – most of which has been undertaken by a volunteer workforce and free or hugely subsidised plant and machinery. The entire hall footprint has now been drained and levelled and the drainage swale has been created.

My thanks, as always, to my fellow Trustees for their tireless and dedicated work and to the numerous volunteers who are always there to support us and ensure that the provision of community facilities in Widecombe is secure for the future.”

5. TREASURER’S REPORT

- Draft copies of the accounts have been circulated among the trustees. Formal adopting of the accounts from the accountants. Adopted.

6. TRUSTEE APPOINTMENTS

- Trustees currently have different terms of office, so it was agreed to bring all in line:
YE, CE, renewed to 3 years. Approved by all.
AP, LM, renewed to 3 years. Approved by all.

6. TRUSTEE APPOINTMENTS

- Trustees to remain in their current posts and were voted en bloc and approved by all:
 - Yvette Elliott – Chair and Chair of Finance & Fundraising Sub-Committee
 - Polly McAfee – Vice Chair
 - Sarah Reeve –Secretary
 - Gail Fursdon – Finance Administrator (not a Trustee)
 - Christopher Elliott – Chair of Design Sub-Committee
 - Lloyd Mortimore
 - Alan Peake
 - Christopher Mayhead
 - Iain Russell

7. A. O. B.

- None.

8. CLOSE: There was no further business and therefore the chairman declared that the meeting was closed. 7:45 pm

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Chairman

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Date