

## Marnhull Village Hall

### Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024 At 7.00 p.m. in the Village Hall

No	Minute	Action
1.	<p><b>Present:</b></p> <p><b>Current Management Committee:</b> Vicki Cooper-Hammond (Chair), Rob Norton (Treasurer), Jean McErlain (Secretary), Helen Butler, Ros Eveleigh, Steve Finch, Chris Gassman, Alan Loukes, Peter McErlain, Dawn Palmer, Celia Jardine-Smith, Dave Jardine-Smith, Glyn Silvester, Phil Silvester.</p> <p><b>Members of Marnhull Village:</b> Anne Dowsett, John Dowsett, Esther Finch, Jean Miller, Tracey Renwick, Graham Renwick, Jeremy Watson, Mella Worley, Tina Matthews.</p>	
2.	<p><b>Apologies –</b> Jeremy Hamer, Louella Hamer, Sue Piper, Yvonne Vintiner, Debbie Chisman,</p>	
3.	<p><b>Minutes:</b></p> <p>The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023 were presented by the Chair: Rob Norton proposed and Peter McErlain seconded their approval; all approved.</p>	
4.	<p><b>Matters Arising:</b></p> <p>The Chair noted that all the matters in agenda item 10 had been completed.</p>	
5.	<p><b>Chairman's Report:</b></p> <p>The Chair read out the report which was on the village website and noted thanks to Ros Eveleigh for the research into alternative methods of heating the hall resulting in the air-to-air heat pumps now installed. The five-year electrical review had resulted in a number of issues which had now been completed. Marnhull Entertains had further improved the sound system in the hall and the Marnhull Players had carried out renovation work to the stage. A new notice board had been erected at the entrance to the recreation ground. A new larger freezer had been purchased for the hall and the smaller freezer had been placed in the pavilion. It was noted that the Sports Pavilion now hosted the Cricket Club, the Tennis Club and the Walking Football Club. As Trustees, we hoped that the excellent facilities in the Hall and Pavilion would be used by as many groups and organisations in the village as possible. The Chair thanked Jean and Peter McErlain for their hard work over the last five years and wished them a happy retirement; John Dowsett endorsed the thanks to both Jean and Peter McErlain. All approved the Chair's report.</p>	
6.	<p><b>Treasurer's Report:</b></p> <p>The Treasurer's Report covering the year from July 2023 until June 30<sup>th</sup> 2024 was presented by Rob Norton and was available on the Marnhull Village Hall website with a summary handout available for attendees. The 32-day account had been allotted to the new heating system and the remedial electrical works. It was hoped</p>	

	<p>that a battery would be installed later and the 95-day account had been called in to cover this expense. The Hall owed a debt of gratitude to all the regular commercial users of the hall such as Fitsteps and Debbie Chisman's art groups who had continued their hire following the raise in fees last year. There had been a substantial increase in income from one-off events and thanks were due to John Dowsett for this. The bill for the heat pumps had been paid and it was envisaged that the bill for the remedial electrical work would be submitted shortly. The PPL/PRS licence had been lower this year because of the number of private events which did not count towards the total for licence purposes. Anne Dowsett raised the point that we might need to have a separate broadcasting licence if we were streaming events. She would look into this and let the Committee know. Thanks were due to Tina Matthews for her care of the hall and to Esther Finch as bookings secretary. Vicki Cooper-Hammond proposed and Jean McErlain seconded the approval of the Treasurer's Report. All approved.</p>	
7.	<p><b>Confirmation/Notification of User-Group Representatives on the Management Committee</b></p> <p>Following Peter McErlain's resignation, Sue Piper was elected the new Table Tennis representative.</p> <p>The current user-group nominated Trustees are: Phil Silvester (Garden Club); Vicki Cooper-Hammond (Marnhull Entertains); Ros Eveleigh (St Gregory's Church); Christopher Gassman (Catholic Church of our Lady); Jeremy Hamer (Tennis Club); Alan Loukes (Music Society); Sue Piper (Table Tennis); Rob Norton (Cricket Club); Helen Butler (Marnhull Community Choir); Celia Jardine-Smith (The Hub), Dave Jardine-Smith (Marnhull Players), Glyn Silvester (WI), Yvonne Vintiner (Art for Everyone).</p> <p>Louella Hamer was willing to continue to act as the nominated Parish Council representative.</p>	
8.	<p><b>Appointment of Elected Members of the Management Committee:</b></p> <p>Jean McErlain resigned as an elected member of the Management Committee. Steve Finch was re-elected to the Management Committee. Esther Finch had offered herself for election to the Management Committee. Rob Norton proposed and Vicki Cooper-Hammond seconded. All approved.</p>	
9.	<p><b>Close of Meeting:</b></p> <p>Vicki Cooper-Hammond thanked everyone for coming and declared the official business of the meeting closed. An open discussion would follow.</p>	
10.	<p><b>Open Session:</b></p> <p>Jeremy Watson noted that it would be helpful to have a paved path up the drive on the grassed area and that more parking would be beneficial, while noting that this was an issue for the Parish Council. Steve Finch noted that there was provision for more parking in the proposed plans and that permission to use the surgery car-park would be forthcoming.</p> <p>The meeting ended at 7.30 p.m.</p>	