

Lisvane Memorial Hall
Heol y Delyn, Lisvane, Cardiff CF14 OSQ

MINUTES of the
76th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
14th MAY 2023 @ 7 PM IN THE MAIN HALL

1) Attending & Apologies

Carol Barrett – Secretary (CB), Dave Cann – Chair (DC), Sue Johnson – Treasurer (SJ), Christine Mahoney – Trustee (CM), John Rhoden – Trustee (JR), Chris Williams – Trustee (CW),
Vernon Hanson – Resident (VH), Karen McGrath – Yoga Teacher (KM), Diane Rhoden – Resident
QUORATE

2) Minutes of the 75th AGM

Accepted as read

3) Matters Arising

None

4) Chair's Report

Attached

5) Treasurer's Report

Attached

KM commented that she had only just discovered the existence of the 100 Club and had started a subscription. However, she found the form on the LMH website difficult to use, so set up her own bank standing order. She wished to promote the 100 club in her yoga classes because the use LHM was integral to her business, and she asked for 60 paper forms. She also suggested that it was promoted in other user groups such as Karate. CB stated that it was the intention of the Trustees to promote the 100 Club at the 2023 Lisvane Festival Fete, and that the LMH website would be revisited to see how the application process could be improved.

ACTION CB, SJ

SJ thanked David Ainsworth, our Independent Examiner, and reported that there had been no problems with the accounts, just some recommendations to the Trustees for the future.

6) Secretary's Report

Attached

7) Election of Officers

Chair: DC	Proposed CW	Seconded JR	Elected by meeting
Treasurer SJ	Proposed CW	Seconded CM	Elected by meeting
Secretary CB	Proposed SJ	Seconded KM	Elected by meeting

8) Election of Executive Committee (Trustees)

CM	Proposed DC	Seconded CB	Elected by meeting
JR	Proposed SJ	Seconded KM	Elected by meeting
CM	Proposed SJ	Seconded VH	Elected by meeting

9) Revising of Constitution into a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

CB explained that charities struggled to find people willing to become trustees, partially because they did not wish to be potentially liable for the debts of a charity should it become bankrupt. As a consequence, the Charity Commissioners had introduced a new charity model, based on the limited company, a CIO, that could release trustees from potential financial liability. The governing document for LMH, lodged with the Charity Commissioners, was the original 1947 land conveyance and constitution. The Trustees intended to change the constitution, if LMH property could be transferred into a CIO. CB was waiting on the Charity Commission for a reply to her enquiry. This would also enable an updating of the constitution, introducing some financial controls and other usual charitable controls.

10) Future Plans

There were several improvements planned for LMH.

Section 106 funding was available for an upgrade of the Main Hall kitchen and possibly the Small Hall kitchen also. It was hoped that this would take place this summer.

The steel windows in the Small Hall would be replaced with UPVC double glazing in the near future. An application had been made for a grant to cover this, though the work would go ahead using LMH funds if necessary.

The exterior of the building would be painted in 2023, and also the internal corridors etc.

As funds were available, the Committee Room would be furnished to make it a more useable space, with comfortable furniture, and presentation facilities. The toilet would also be upgraded.

The Trustees were looking towards installing solar panels and battery storage as part of the Welsh Government policy to reach carbon net zero by 2050. This was likely to result in a change to electric heating. A grant may be available if LMH was then used as an educational facility to encourage householders and others to install renewable power sources. This would be a longer term, staged process, but would result in LMH having control of its power costs, which would benefit users. KM offered to write a letter explaining the value of LMH to her, if it was of help.

11) AOB

It was decided to start the next AGM, and other general meetings at 7.30pm.

12) Next Annual General Meeting

7.30pm Sunday 12th May 2024