

# Moseley and Kings Heath Shed

MINUTES OF AGM

11th October 2017

At Kings Heath Main Building

## Attendees

**Trustees** Carol Belcher, Pete Travis, Larry Potter, Brian Holmes, Paul Tyrrell, Sandra McInally, Rob Treadwell, Les Stokes, Nigel Gleaves, Saeed Ghinai

**Members:** Michael Belcher, D, Edgington, Chris Olly, Linda Coello, Steff Williams, Alan Johnson, Fred Williams, Barry Mather, Brian Herriot, Fred Price, Stephen Jay, David Prince, Dave Nicholls, Mike Wain, Carol Robson, Elizabeth Currell, Pete Currell, Angela Billingham, Mark Ryan, Ingrid Oldham, Mike Hewitt, Dave Fletcher, Michael Goggins, Simon Tonkin, Margaret Bilton, Ray Bilton, Eve Hippolyte, Eileen Corcorran

**Non members:** Gary Evans

## Apologies

There were no apologies

## Minutes of the last meeting

Minutes were approved and no matters arising

## Secretary's report

The Chairman/secretary opened the meeting by introducing the trustees to the members.

The annual report which will be submitted to the Charity Commissioners had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting. The chairman ran through some of the highlights of the year in respect of

- Donations and people/organisations who have contributed to the Shed during the year, namely, Stan Hems, Davies Timber, Cartland Tea Rooms, Kings Heath Business Association, Choice Electrical Services, Baker Ward and Tools for Africa.
- The work carried out to the fabric of the building.
- Opening for additional sessions.
- Fund raising activities including Sarehole Mill, Acocks Green Carnival, Tool sales, Middle Earth, Kings Heath markets, Arts & Crafts, Christmas and Street Fest.
- We had visit from delegates at the UK Mens Shed Conference being held in Birmingham.
- Work undertaken in respect of orienteering poles, notice boards, planters for Moseley in Bloom, repair of park benches, and making hedgehog boxes.
- Impact of social media and visit from BBC

## Treasurers report

The balance sheet for the year 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016 to 30<sup>th</sup> March 2017 had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting. The treasurer highlighted that we had made a small profit over the year of £627. We had received donations of £1796, annual subs and weekly fees from members of £2,800, Sale of goods for profit £1535 and £1600 from fund raising. In respect of expenses apart from general running expenses we had spent £1514 on fabric improvements, equipment £2521, Rent £600 and Insurance £632. At the year end the bank balance was £9063, of which £3554 were restricted funds.

As the annual accounts were now stale an interim balance sheet for the six month period ending 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017 had been prepared. These accounts had not been audited and had not been circulated to members prior to the meeting. Income for the period was £7910 including donations of £1910, sale of goods for profit £2223 and fund raising £2052. In respect of expenses the main areas of spending were £2759 in respect of fabric improvements and £1897 for equipment. It was noted that the costs for the fabric improvements were for materials only with little labour costs except for some specialist work.

The accounts showed a small profit of £272 for the period. However it was stressed to the meeting that we needed to complete the work in the compound to ensure that we had a waterproof storage area before the end of the autumn. The cost of this is estimated to be in the region of £2500/3000. We currently have a bank balance of £9335 but it is felt that we may record a loss at the year end.

## Election of Trustees

The current trustees stepped down in their roles. These were:

- Carol Belcher
- Brian Holmes
- Sandra McInally
- Saeed Ghinai
- Nigel Gleaves
- Larry Potter
- Les Stokes
- Peter Travis
- Rob Treadwell
- Paul Tyrrell

It was proposed by Fred Williams that all trustees standing for election should be voted in on block rather than individually. This was seconded by Michael Belcher and members voted unanimously in favour by a show of hands.

It was then proposed by Fred Williams that the trustees standing for election be voted in. This was seconded by Michael Belcher and members voted unanimously in favour by a show of hands. The following were therefore re-elected:

- Carol Belcher
- Brian Holmes
- Sandra McInally

- Saeed Ghinai
- Nigel Gleaves
- Larry Potter
- Les Stokes
- Peter Travis
- Rob Treadwell
- Paul Tyrrell

## Open Discussion

Volunteering – the chairman asked members to consider if they could help by volunteering in some way. The areas where help is required is supervision of sessions, buddying with other less experienced members, helping on stalls at fund raising events and making of items for the Christmas markets we will be attending. The Chairman then asked for comments from the members.

### Topics raised

- How to get into the shed. Should we still be going through the garden centre or via the parking area?
- The idea of use of a key safe, with supervisors being provided with the access code.
- Saturday sessions have just been started and the level of take up to be monitored
- Art classes – members to be asked to ascertain the level of interest.
- Should we have an ebay account? This would need constant monitoring, no one volunteered to take this forward.
- Opening the shed in the evening. It was agreed not to proceed because of concerns about the safety of members.
- The idea of trips to be considered.
- Suggestion box – box to be made and put in workshop.
- Tidiness of workshop - Need to vacuum after every session.
- Leaving projects out – only for shed projects, personal projects must not be left on benches as it restricts the use of the workshop on other sessions.
- Deep clean - Date agreed Monday 23 October.
- Newsletter – items or ideas to Pete.
- Photos of members with names to be placed on the rest room door
- Tools for Africa – Rob gave a brief introduction to the members of the history of the group and the work they undertake.

Meeting closed at 2.30pm

Minutes Approved by: ..... Date:

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