

Moseley and Kings Heath Shed

AGM Meeting

12noon Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Inside the former Bowling Pavilion, Kings Heath Park

**Minutes**

**Attendees**

Martin Mullaney (MM) – Chair and minute taker	Jenny McKenzie,
Carol Belcher,	David Nicholls,
Angela Billingham,	Robert Treadwell (RT),
Richard Branch (RB),	Steff Williams,
Peter Currell,	Larry Potter
Michael Hewitt (MH),	Saeed Ghinai
John Owen	Paul Brown
Mike Wain	Steve Jay
Brian Lee	Malcolm Finn
Sandra McInally (SMcl)	Syed Karim Kuli
	Colin Troth

Item	
1	Welcome and apologies  Apologies for non-attendance were received from: Sally Bavington, Michael Belcher, Olga Terry
2	<b>Minutes of previous General meeting</b>
2(i)	Approval of the minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting on 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2021  The minutes were approved
2(ii)	Any matters arising in the minutes of 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2021 AGM that are not on the agenda.  Mike Hewitt raised the following points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- As a supervisor he was concerned that he did not have any access to the emergency contacts for members.</li><li>- He asked if the draft minutes of today's AGM could be delivered/sent to members.</li></ul>

	<p>In response the following was explained:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The emergency contact is prepared, but the Trustees are waiting for a safe box into which the list could be kept and the supervisors have keys for.</li> <li>- It was explained that the Shed lacks the people to take up many of the tasks required for the day-to-day running of the Shed. Mike Hewitt volunteered to assist in the delivery of the AGM draft minutes.</li> </ul>
3	<p><b>Chairperson's report</b></p> <p>The Chair went through the Annual Report highlighting the work of the Trustees and the sub-committees.</p> <p>The Chair then read out a statement from Fred Price. Fred Price had requested the statement was read out at the AGM.</p> <p>The contents of the statement are summarised as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr Price feels the Shed is no longer a warm, friendly and welcoming as it was when he first joined four years ago.</li> <li>• He feels the Trustees have grown further apart from the members.</li> <li>• He claimed that during the national lockdown several trustees worked in the Shed breaching covid regulations.</li> <li>• Mr Price asked that the trustees seeking re-election should be voted on individually.</li> </ul> <p>In response MM said that several trustees had worked inside the Shed getting it ready for re-opening. This involved creating more space inside the workshop so that social distancing could be maintained once the Shed re-opened.</p> <p>The attendees of the AGM then discussed at length Mr Price's statement.</p> <p>MH raised a number of points:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Due to a lack of communication with members, there may be a considerable number who feel as though they have been abandoned. Various reasons were given for this not happening.</li> <li>• During the pandemic a number of emails were sent out, but were they received or were they lost in the recipients</li> </ul>

	<p>spam folder. MH said that he knew of one particular email that asked members for their thoughts on the shed, what should be the way forward and under what circumstances would they be prepared to return. MH explained that following this email there was no consultation of member's responses or any sharing of plans to move forward.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• During the pandemic many good changes have been made, but has this made the shed any safer? MH said the kitchen area needed to be made safer and a number of items need to be either removed, or stored in a safer manner so as not to take up valuable workspaces. There may also be a number of lighting issues. He hoped all of the issues would be addressed by the workshop committee.</li> </ul> <p>With communication being an apparent issue Angela offered to create a Newsletter for the shed, but she will need input from trustees and members.</p> <p>It was finally agreed that the members did not share Mr Price's concerns and that the matter was now closed.</p>
<b>4</b>	<b>Treasurers' report</b>
	RB went through the finances as outlined in the Annual Report
<b>5</b>	<b>Membership Secretary's report</b>
	SMCl went through the membership figures as outlined in the Annual Report
<b>6</b>	<b>Approval of the Trustees Annual Report</b>
	The Trustees Annual Report was approved
<b>7</b>	<b>Approval of co-opted trustees</b>
<b>7(i)</b>	During the course of the year, the trustees will co-opt trustees onto the Board. These co-options need approval by the members at the following General Meeting.

	There are NO co-options that need approval by the members:
<b>8</b>	<b>Nominations to become trustee</b>
8(i)	<p>Election of the following as Trustees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saeed Ghinai</li> <li>• Sandra McInally</li> <li>• Martin Mullaney</li> <li>• David Nicolls</li> <li>• Stephanie Williams</li> </ul> <p>All the above were elected as trustees</p>
9	<p>Any other business</p> <p>RT and MH raised a number of issues over the health and safety inside the Shed. As a result, the following motions were passed by the membership</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That health and safety training in using the various pieces of machinery in the Shed is offered to all members. Only members who have successfully completed this training will be allowed to use this machinery</li> <li>• Emergency First Aid at Work training is mandatory to all supervisors. This will be offered to supervisors for free. Emergency First Aid at Work will be offered to all members but they will have to pay for the training</li> <li>• All decisions passed by the Workshop sub-committee that are relevant to the Trustees must be approved by the Trustees.</li> <li>• All supervisors must remove machinery safety keys at the end of each day.</li> <li>• M Hewett volunteered and was accepted as a member of the workshop committee.</li> </ul>

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