

**Clifton Village Community Association**

**Annual General Meeting 2023**

**Monday 25th September 2023**

**7.30pm – The Black Horse**

Present: Andrew Russell, Allison Rushton, Councillor Tina Benton, Councillor Howard Blagbrough, Jason Carlton, Graham Ward, Gill Poole, Adrian Frearson, Rachel Wilkie, Sallie Priestley, Christine Ogden, Jim Ogden, Lindsey Wilkie, Nigel Holden, Amy Powell-Bevan, Alex Bland, Chris Houlihan, Andrew Robertshaw, Janet Robertshaw, Andrew Davison, Gail Lawrie, Ian Lawrie, Janet Stanley

Apologies: Michael Cresey, Councillor Brenda Monteith, Caroline Savage, Mags Newton, John Newton, Rev. Paul Webb, Rev David Briggs

Meeting notes:

1. Andrew welcomed everyone (current and new members) to the 2023 CVCA AGM. Andrew also reminded everyone of the purpose and value of the CVCA as stated in the constitution ie the furtherance of community life and the preservation of the current and future life of the village.

2. Apologies for absence as listed above.

3. Resignations – Andrew reminded everyone of the current structure of the CVCA committee - President, Chairperson, Deputy Chair, Treasurer, Secretary. Andrew explained the situation of a vacant President post due to the recent sad loss of David Smith, our President for many years and founder member of the CVCA. The CVCA had temporarily proposed an additional post of Honorary Vice President during David's illness. Andrew thanked Graham Ward for filling that post.

4. Election of Officers:

Andrew began by explaining that he was prepared to stand down as Chair (after 11 years), if anyone was prepared to take on the post of Chair.

The following positions were agreed:

President - Graham Ward

Proposed by Jason Carlton, Seconded by Rachel Wilkie

Chairperson – Jason Carlton

Proposed by Janet Stanley, Seconded by Allison Rushton

It was agreed all other positions would remain the same as 2022 (motion proposed by Chris Houlihan, Seconded by Councillor Blagbrough)

Deputy Chairperson – Allison Rushton      Nominated by Graham Ward, Seconded by Nigel Holden

Treasurer – Michael Cresey                      Nominated by Nigel Holden, Seconded by Chris Houlihan

Secretary – Janet Stanley                      Nominated by Councillor Blagbrough, Seconded by  
Councillor Tina Benton

Janet Stanley proposed a motion to make permanent the temporary position of Honorary Vice President and this position be converted to Vice President by amending the Constitution, which can only be carried out at AGMs. This proposed amendment was carried unanimously.

Honorary Vice President to become Vice president after change of constitution -

Vice President - Andrew Russell

Nominated by Janet Stanley, Seconded Jason Carlton

All others present and those who had sent apologies were welcomed as members of the committee.

(Please note that committee members can be co-opted at any point during the year).

**5.** The 2022 AGM minutes were proposed as correct, with no matters arising.

Proposed: Councillor Tina Benton, Seconded: Jason Carlton

**6.** The secretary had not received any proposals to amend the constitution, other than then one recorded in point 4.

**7.** Statement of accounts from Michael Cresey, Treasurer for the financial year 01.06.2022 – 31.05.2026. (Figures below received today are current figures 25.09.23)

Virgin Current account - £ 1419.52

Virgin Deposit account - £ 16,279.08

Cash balance - - £ 30.00

Total - £ 17697.60

Andrew thanked Michael for preparing the annual accounts and requested that Michael provides a balance for the end of the accounting year, 31st May 2023.

To be noted:

Mags Newton remains third signatory.

Yorkshire Bank in Brighouse is now closed, the account is held in Cleckheaton.

Lindsay Wilkie, as auditor, will be contacted by Michael to audit and confirm the accounts as correct.

**8.** The Chair presented a brief report of events since the last AGM:

Andrew reported that since the previous CVCA AGM meeting 2022, a number of village events and fundraising activities had taken place: Gift Aid of £1257.23 had been claimed back by Janet, (Janet confirmed the claim for the last financial year is still to be completed). The three Memorial Garden benches had been stripped, sanded and repainted (170.23). The Cemetery gates had been replaced through donations and fund raising (mainly Sallie's Spring Sale). The Clifton Festival (a slightly scaled down version) weekend was organised by the newly formed Clifton Festival Committee and raised £4320.05 profit. Thanks were expressed to the Clifton Festival Committee. A village litter pick had been organised by Sarah Hey and Amy PB. The Coronation stone had been donated by Paul Rand (Rand & Asquith) and engraved and installed by Ian from Calderdale Bereavement Services. Andrew

particularly mentioned the very sad loss of David as our President and expressed our condolences to Val. All present at the meeting agreed David will be greatly missed.

Andrew thanked everyone for their contributions and for attending the meeting.

**9. AOB**

It was agreed to discuss how the CVCA will remember David during the General Meeting to follow this meeting.

**10. Date and time of next AGM – provisionally Monday, 23rd September 2024 7.30 pm at The Black Horse.**