

GGVA AGM : 06 May 2015

Chair opening statement

Minutes need to be approved. Matters arising? No

Propose acceptable? John Fisher

Second: Wilf

Successful year

Thanks to many people.

Some retirements and new elections from Trustees – thanks and welcome

Management committee esp JF plus JL NS, SW and MP for website update.

Hoping more involved and views for investment, more taking part.

LC from East Ward landscaping.

Another easter event – thanks to SW great event well attended.

McMillan coffee again

Marie curie, science club knitting. Carol singing – preferred by those attending in the warmth, with flutes.

Activities – line dancing ceased. Sadly. China painting , dancing for kids, kettlebless yoga, colin for grounds appreciated

Groups – A&C welcomes new members, bowling club still urging nre members, playgroups with waiting list, tennis alos enc new memeres, WI, exciting new events, toddlers.

Parties etc,

Direct debits encouranged for susbs, allotments still going strong new compost pens from Colin working well.

Tale part, new ideas appreciated.

End CH

Treasurers Report

Balance sheet udated – indepented examiner acreed today.

In the black therefore happy treasurer. Hall rents up 1400 from last year, more private events, more classes and full year form a7c and kettlebells. Some say 8per hour too cheap and some say too much, 50 bookings from baby shower to 80th1

150 houses have contributed, some no answers or tenants or not home, no cash. Associate member pay 1 per head and music licence calc on membership fees and not donations, so split to show donations to pay lower fee.

Findsrainis – stopped now as building pays for site.

Election – support from three councillors appreciated and made a great difference, esp when some intolerance from other areas in the ward. Current situation cant rely on grant for ever and so need to become self sufficient. (keep applying don't worry – HG)

Bowling onw water – metered sep

Maintenance up as varnished the windows and doors eps on south site, lightbulbs replaced by electrician, and intermittent fault in main oven not yet identified.

Grounds costs – grass and hedge cutting – looks good. Colin

One off costs – storeroom shelving and bxcing in and waste far away so moved an put in new gate to allow access to compost.

3 year contract finished for electric so more on renewal, however lless used therefore saving there.

Insurance – co changed was for bowls and tennign club, with each extra activity covered separately, now have a village hall policy that now includes corts etc and therefore better deal. 2800 to 1700.

4700 better off. More work poss move shildren play aea in grassed area to sove access of children to bolwing green. Repairs to fence from wind from feb also required. Maintain rents – not put up, should pay to run site.

Q: Tennis lady from beechwood Fences done soon? Last week but was away so soon. JF

Election – existing vacancy plus treasurer – repappointnetn acceptable.

JF election - GV - prposed

Margaret Owens – seconded

Realleced.

Vacancy – any

Jacky Fender – agreed to be prposed – Susan woods proposed.

Chris walker seconded

Sectional member for each group – can this be acceptable – none against 20 on lfloor plus HGallegher.

Names and addresses to Susan woods if interested in gardening.

Fender family donated paving slabs - thanks.

Other things that could be on-

HG - friends of Gosforth park have had horticultural training funded by ward, this could be arranged – ask friends of GP, may get more involved.

Chinese Spanish and French teacher moved in could offer classes in both a cultural or a language theme Finlay Davis.

Garden village plant swap or seed bank?

Jackie fender – could offer things that we have duplicate from the house – website or twitter, or notice in on the wall.

Could we have a social committee to take on quiz or music etc ? no takers tonight...

Reminer that the small room is acailvable for lcal poepl to hire fro 2 hours free and then 2 per hour.

Use of the grass:- looking at making some parts more child friendly but also available for party hire to be used in June.

Concerns about privacy in the bungalow next to Fenders, so concerns about adults in the grounds as land in garden lower. Try in June, see if it works , don't want to spoil parties. Should we limit games music etc , would need to be policed by the neighbours. Do yheyneed to know the t&c (JF)? Yes

Hire of grounds by prior agreement, and review if issues are noted from residents.

GV - New notice board would be useful, and village clock would be appreciated.

Defibrillator as mentioned last year. £400 from brisihs heart foundation.

Bowling – youth club consideration? Difficult to get people to help.

Film club?

Large TV and DVD?

Choir ?

Soup and sweet night or lunch – meals not on wheels!

Thanks to committee from floor (GV).