

# ROTARY CLUB OF BELPER & DUFFIELD

## Minutes of Council Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2016

**Present:** N Blurton, C Breach, D Henson, E Murphy (Chair) , D Pipe, J Scotney, A Widdowson.

Minute	Topic/Action	Action by
<b>16/055</b>	<b>Apologies for Absence</b>	
	D Ashley, G Ashley, D Harris, J Horwood, H Surga, P Taylor.	
<b>16/056</b>	<b>Minutes of last meeting</b>	
	The minutes of the meeting held on 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2016 were accepted as a true record subject to item 16/040 being amended to show that the entertainment at the proposed fund raising event would be Gem Connections, some of the singers who performed as Diamond Cut at our Charter, and that the proposed Valuation Night using Charles Hanson was being organised by Coral Breach.	
<b>16/057</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	
	David Henson reported that he had received a letter from New Life, a representative of which had been his speaker at recent meeting. The letter confirmed that they were looking for support wherever possible.	
<b>16/058</b>	<b>President's Topics (Eileen Murphy)</b>	
	<p>Coral Breach confirmed that the DG's visit would be on the 18<sup>th</sup> July 2016. She also confirmed that Club Assembly has been booked for 16<sup>th</sup> May and that there was a clash with a visit to Catton Hall organised by John Lowe. Council felt that this was unfortunate but the Club Assembly date has been in the programme for some while and the Assistant Governor has a fully committed Diary. It was agreed that the meal on the 16<sup>th</sup> May would be one course plus coffee.</p> <p>Eileen reported that the Mayor (Dan Booth) was looking for stewards for his forthcoming Charity concert, as he has been let down by the Cadets. An e-mail has been sent to all members. It was stressed that we should support this particularly because we are hoping that Dan will join the club at the end of his year as Mayor.</p>	
<b>16/059</b>	<b>Treasurer's Report (David Henson)</b>	
	<p>The Treasurer's report (attached to these minutes) was taken as read. David Henson went on to observe that he needs to establish what the Rotary Foundation contribution for the coming year would be. He pointed out that if we don't pay the full amount, we would not be eligible to receive any grants towards our projects.</p> <p>There was some discussion about the voluntary contributions paid by some members. As not all members make the contributions, those who do are in effect supporting those who don't. It was suggested that these contributions be scrapped and that the full per-capita charge be incorporated into the</p>	

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	annual subscriptions.	
<b>16/060</b>	<b>Communications Officer Report (John Scotney)</b>	
	<p>John Scotney reported that he had reserved a slot in the Belper News on the assumption that we would need to publicise the satellite club. As progress on the latter had been put on hold, it was agreed that the slot be used to publicise the Golf Day.</p> <p>There are still issues with reporting the club programme going forward. For example, we do not know who the speaker is, or the topic for the next meeting. John stressed that David Ashley is the programme co-ordinator and as such it is important that members co-ordinate with David to ensure a) there are no clashes of dates and b) we know in advance what is happening so that it can be publicised.</p>	
<b>16/061</b>	<b>Charitable Matters (Hilary Surga)</b>	
	No requests received.	
<b>16/062</b>	<b>Membership Services Report (David Ashley)</b>	
	No report received due to David Ashley's sudden incapacity.	
<b>16/063</b>	<b>Community &amp; Vocational Report (Alan Widdowson)</b>	
	<p>16/027 <u>Approach to Aldi re Christmas Collection</u> Alan has yet to approach Aldi.</p> <p>1. <u>Litter Picks</u> Alan reported that the first litter pick had been well supported with 9 members turning up.</p> <p>2. <u>Forthcoming Events</u> Payment has been made for our pitch at Duffield Carnival, which is being held on 25<sup>th</sup> June. Other forthcoming events are Little Eaton Carnival (2<sup>nd</sup> July); Holbrook Fest (9<sup>th</sup> July) and Belper Games (16<sup>th</sup> July).</p> <p>3. <u>Morrisons Community Fund</u> Alan said that he would also approach Morrison's to see if we can gain access to their community fund.</p>	<p><b>A Widdowson</b></p> <p><b>A Widdowson</b></p>
<b>16/064</b>	<b>Youth Services (Gail Ashley)</b>	
	No report received due to David Ashley's sudden incapacity.	
<b>16/065</b>	<b>International Report (David Harris)</b>	
	No report received.	
<b>16/066</b>	<b>Pride of Belper &amp; Duffield (David Pipe)</b>	
	David said that everything had been sent out to the schools and responses were awaited. To date we have received details of five nominees. David said that he was reasonably comfortable with regard to sponsorships, but work would	

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	continue.	
<b>16/067</b>	<b>Raffle (David Pipe)</b>	
	<p>The Scouts will not now be involved as they believe it is not appropriate for the children to be selling tickets or asking their parents to do so.</p> <p>A quote of £195 for 6000 tickets has been received from Minuteman Press, and it was agreed that this quote was acceptable.</p> <p>Makeney Hall have donated a weekend break as a prize and John Horwood is working on a similar prize from Newby Hall in the Lake District.</p> <p>It was agreed that MacMillan would be main recipient of the proceeds from the raffle and that the Stroke Club should also benefit.</p> <p>The raffle is to be launched in the first week in May.</p>	
<b>16/068</b>	<b>Visioning</b>	
	<p>There has been a mixed reception to the re-Visioning session held on the 11<sup>th</sup> April. Unfortunately a lot of the discussion was not about where the club wanted to be in five years time, rather concentrating on those elements of the cost of membership over which we have no control. It was felt that as a consequence, the “round robin” went on too long and didn’t allow time for the more productive group activities.</p> <p>Overall however the session had confirmed that we were content with the way we were going and didn’t need to make major corrections to our direction. The outcomes now need to be discussed at a business meeting in the near future.</p>	
<b>16/069</b>	<b>Feedback/Recommendations from Membership project</b>	
	On hold at present.	
<b>16/070</b>	<b>Matters Arising, not covered elsewhere in the minutes</b>	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <u>Approach to Belper Storage (16/053(1))</u> Nick Blurton reported that he had visited Belper Storage and they did not have anything suitable for storing the Sleigh. He had asked if they could suggest anywhere else but they were unable to.</li> <li>2. <u>Joint event with the Penguin Club (16/053(3))</u> This has been put on hold pending David Ashley’s recovery.</li> <li>3. <u>Storage Facility (15/168(2))</u> There was considerable discussion about this, both with regard to the type and location of the facility, as well as funding options. John Scotney reported that The Scouts are fundraising for a bigger facility on their site, but it may well take many years to achieve their target.</li> </ol>	

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	<p>With regard to funding, David Henson suggested that the facility was a “cost of fundraising” and could legitimately be funded from the Charity Account. Nick Blurton felt that some people who have contributed to our fund raising had done so with a specific view that the funds would be going to approved charities and not for the purchase of a “shed”.</p> <p>After further discussion, David Henson suggested that rather than coming directly from the Charity Account, we could use the Gift Aid we receive to part fund the facility with the balance by way of a “top up” of £250 from the Club Account.</p> <p>Council also considered the type of facility needed. The original proposal had been for a wooden shed, however a shed large enough to accommodate the Santa Sleigh and all of the other paraphernalia stored in members garages and lofts would cost over £1000. Alternatively a metal self-assembly garage could be procured for around £630. Alan Widdowson said that he could arrange installation, and we would need to source pallets for the “perishables” to stand on.</p> <p>Eileen Murphy proposed and John Scotney seconded that we should proceed with the purchase of a garage, at a cost of up to £650 including locks and pallets, to be funded using Gift Aid and a top up from the Club Account. The proposal was carried unanimously.</p>	
<b>16/071</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b>	
	<p>1. <u>Golf Day</u> Coral Breach observed that we need more teams to enter the competition. We also need more sponsors, albeit we are further ahead in that respect than we were at this point last year.</p> <p>The working group is to meet again on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April.</p>	
<b>16/072</b>	<b>Date of Next Meeting</b>	
	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 7.00pm at The Lion.	

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