

Rotary Club of Belper & Duffield Club Council Minutes
Wednesday 21st March 2018 held at The Strutt Centre

Apologies:

- Paul Taylor, Daniel Booth. Eileen Murphy would be late.

Minutes:

- Minutes from 15th February 2018 were approved

Potential Members:

- Potential members have been coming for a number of weeks to look at our Club. David Ashley is following up with them all.
- A potential new member has moved into the local area and has been visiting a few Clubs to see which one would be suitable for her.
- A potential new member attended the club night on 19th March. She is coming back in a few weeks' time but indicated that she definitely wants to join and maybe bring a friend as a potential new member.
- 2017/18 current Mayor will be joining us once his year in office has finished.
- Since 2013 we have had 11 new members join the Club.

President's Topics:

- A discussion was had about 'Honorary Members' and if the Club should keep this status active or not.
- A discussion was had about 'Friends of Rotary' and a few names were put forward. It was also mentioned that if enough 'Friends of Rotary' accepted the Club's offer then on an informal basis they should meet up.
- The Council also talked about scrapping the Friends of Rotary altogether.
- David Pipe and Gail Ashley visited the Interact Group at Ecclesbourne School to present them with a Certificate from RIBI.

RESOLVED: Council agreed to invite Vicky Horwood and Adrian Farmer to become Honorary Rotarians.

RESOLVED: Council agreed to meet the cost of an Eco Greenhouse for their Interact Group to start there 1st project.

RESOLVED: Not to scrap the Friends of Rotary.

Correspondence:

- The club has received letters of thanks following our Club Presentation Evening.

Treasurers' Comments:

- David Henson gave a brief update on the state of the Clubs accounts.
- David Henson has now received outstanding subs from our newest member.
- Our charity account has funds ready for general donation circa £4,800.
- The Club has also collected from small donations £300 for Polio Eradication.
- £850 left over from two Summer Raffles.

RESOLVED: Council agreed to carry on taking 10% for 'Other Rotary Charities' from fundraising where no specific dedicated charity is nominated.

Secretaries Comments:

- Tony Waldron gave an update on the Summer Raffle with the main charities being MenCap and Treetops Hospice.

PR Officer's Comments:

- John updated us about the articles that he writes for the Belper News on behalf of the Club
- John has also done some work on 'New Look Rotary' trying to publicise a then and now look about Belper and Duffield Rotary Club.

Charitable Matters:

- Eileen suggested that the club buys some 1st Aid Kits for Club use only when we attend Carnivals, Fetes and Santa Collections.
- Hilary received a letter from a young athlete asking for a donation and help and advice.
- Hilary was asked to invite Rtn Peter Moralee to talk about Sand Dams with a view to make a donation.
- Hilary also received a letter from two teenagers from Ecclesbourne School who have been given the opportunity to go to South Africa to help rehabilitate primates back into the wild.
- Hilary gave us an update on The Memory Café and the progress being made.

RESOLVED: Not to support the requests from the young athlete and the two teenagers from Ecclesbourne.

RESOLVED: Council agreed to buy 1st Aid Kits

RESOLVED: Council agreed to donate £500 to Sand Dams

Post meeting note: The treasurer identified that if the club donated to Sand Dams we might be going against club policy of not supporting another clubs project. The secretary confirmed that the project is a district project 'It has been widely publicised that our District Governor Michael Longdon wishes to promote a District Signature Project to fund the construction of a number of Sand Dams in Kenya during his year via a Foundation Global Grant. It was agreed that the donation should be allocated but the source of the funding would be discussed at the next meeting.

Club Committee Reports:

- No Formal Reports received.
- Alan gave a verbal update on two upcoming Carnivals at which Belper and Duffield Rotary are having a stall.

May Carnival Fun Day:

- No real change from previous updates.
- John Scotney has produced some posters.
- David Ashley trying to source a holiday voucher to raffle off on the programme number.

Other Forthcoming Activities:

- David Ashley was asked by Belper Town Council if the Club would like to steward the Summer and Winter Food Festivals.
- Race Night on the 13th April to be held at St Margaret's, Duffield

RESLOVED: Council agreed to offer support to Belper Town Council

AOB:

- Hilary asked if we could all think of a presenter for the Pride of Belper Awards that kids would know and recognise and to let her know ASAP.

Annual Club Assembly – Monday 4th June 2018 (AG attending)

Date of Next Council Meeting:

- Wednesday 18th April 2018 – Room 104, The Strutts Community Centre at 7pm

James Kerry
Assistant Secretary
1/4/2018