

**ROTARY CLUB OF ROMSEY TEST**

**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES - 3 JULY 2019**

**Attendees**

Bill Gidley - Chair  
Nick Bellamy  
Clive Collier  
Brian Davies  
Steve George  
Graham Hollier  
Gren Lamb-Hughes  
Jon Livingstone - Secretary  
Stewart Mitchell  
Bryan Rickett  
Peter Stuckey

**Apologies**

Keith Cameron  
Iain Small

**1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL AND ASSEMBLY**

Signed by the Chair.

**2. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS**

Bill reported two prizes awarded at the District Assembly to RCORT; Public Image for the crocuses partnership; and Fundraising. Bill thanked all for their efforts and making these awards possible.

Bill confirmed we have insurance cover for SokaBloka operated in accord with the Risk Assessment.

➤ CIO. Bill could see no disadvantages to the change to CIO status and will set up a small group to take forward, inviting volunteers and those with relevant skills:

- Bill Gidley
- Sandy Dunn
- Jon Livingstone
- Martin Russell
- Roger Shepherd.

Roger raised a query re the fit with the existing Trust and Club arrangement.

**3. CLUB TREASURER**

Nick advised £10,400 in the bank account. In addition £4,700 of members' positive balances, as attached report.

**4. COMMUNITY SERVICE**

As report from Peter circulated in advance.

## **5. TRUST FUND TREASURER**

Graham noted the excellent level of charitable support in the preceding year, totalling £40,365, with further commitments of £4,595 in addition.

Graham advised present year uncommitted funds stood at £2,791.

Reports attached.

Graham noted some transitional dissonance regarding the switch from monthly to annual Foundation donations.

## **6. MEMBERSHIP**

Steve Davies' induction is scheduled for 17 July.

John Dunbar will be interviewed soon.

## **7. FUNDRAISING**

Brian Davies advised WTTW registrations at 240, consistent with this time last year. Facebook posts help a spike in registrations; good work here from Shaun. More engagement with Romsey Advertiser would be welcomed re approaching £1m total.

Further information as report.

## **8. COMMUNICATIONS**

Report circulated in advance noted.

## **9. FOUNDATION**

As report circulated in advance.

## **10. INTERNATIONAL**

As report circulated in advance.

In addition, Gren and the International Committee will seek ways to work jointly with the Lunchtime Club.

## **11. YOUTH**

Steve advised Dictionaries for Life is on track.

The team are contacting all the SO51 Primary Schools to commence the new Young Writers competition for Year 5 pupils.

Peter Stuckey offered to carry out research into Holiday Club arrangements to reach a wider group of children as possible alternative next year to the present Youth In Romsey initiative.

## **12. SPORTS & SOCIAL**

Clive expressed thanks to Tony Abbott for the Handover meeting and welcomed mainly positive feedback for the venue.

Clive summarised the forthcoming excellent social and partners events. Discussion regarding gratuity for the July event agreed Council would be happy for Clive to agree up to 10%.

Full report including social and sporting arrangements as attached.

## **TRUSTEES EXPENDITURE APPROVAL**

The items of expenditure were approved by Trust Fund Trustees:

- nil items submitted this month.

Signed as a True Record

Name  
President

Date

## **REPORTS CIRCULATED IN ADVANCE**

### **CLUB TREASURER**

**From:** [Nick Bellamy](#)  
**Sent:** Friday, June 28, 2019 3:31 PM  
**To:** [bellamynic@gmail.com](mailto:bellamynic@gmail.com) ; [keithcameron@btinternet.com](mailto:keithcameron@btinternet.com) ; [brianandshirleydavies@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:brianandshirleydavies@hotmail.co.uk) ; [thedunns@fastmail.co.uk](mailto:thedunns@fastmail.co.uk) ; [Steve@georgemail.co.uk](mailto:Steve@georgemail.co.uk) ; [bill.gidley@sky.com](mailto:bill.gidley@sky.com) ; [gdhollier@gmail.com](mailto:gdhollier@gmail.com) ; [livingstonehome@btinternet.com](mailto:livingstonehome@btinternet.com) ; [stewart@nelsonhouse.org.uk](mailto:stewart@nelsonhouse.org.uk) ; [Bsrickett9@gmail.com](mailto:Bsrickett9@gmail.com) ; [peterstuckey21@gmail.com](mailto:peterstuckey21@gmail.com) ; [stuart@wineberg.co.uk](mailto:stuart@wineberg.co.uk) ; [Clive](#) ; [grenlh156@btinternet.com](mailto:grenlh156@btinternet.com) ; [Iain Small](#)  
**Subject:** Club Treasurer's report to Council 3rd July 2019

At the end of our financial year, we had £10,400 in our bank account having made allowances for any creditors and debtors. In addition £4,700 of members positive balances were in the account.

Year end balances will be sent out during the first week of July. In general the new standard of £10 subscription plus a £35 allowance giving a total monthly standard of £45 per month has worked well. Most members have a small positive balance whilst just nine members have balances greater than £150. which accounts for £2,400 of the positive total.

Nick Bellamy

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

**From:** [Peter Stuckey](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 26, 2019 10:43 AM  
**To:** [Livingstone Family](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Council and Business Meeting Next Week - 3 July 2019

Report from Community Service

The School 'Nurture Room' project is completed

Mrs Searle's flooring project is completed

Nikki Jones 'Life Skills' classes have started with 5 people, ideal for the first effort

We expect to meet on 24 July to consider a couple of approaches

Peter





## **MEMBERSHIP AND RECRUITMENT**

**From:** [Iain Small](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 26, 2019 1:22 PM  
**To:** [Livingstone Family](#)  
**Cc:** [Bill Gidley](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Council and Business Meeting Next Week - 3 July 2019

Hi Jon,

Firstly please accept my apologies for this one as we are away in Devon.

I have no update on Steve's recent e mails. The only item of note is that I am planning to man the Rotary tent at the MP on 7th July.....with the aim of promoting Rotary!

Regards.

Iain

## **FUNDRAISING**

**From:** [Sandy Dunn](#)  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 30, 2019 8:14 PM  
**To:** [Gren Lamb-Hughes](#) ; [Bill Gidley](#) ; 'Rickett, Bryan' ; [Roger Shepherd](#) ; [Stuart Wineberg](#) ; [Iain & Alison Small](#) ; [Peter Stuckey](#) ; [Clive Collier](#) ; [Steve George](#) ; [Keith Cameron](#) ; [Brian Davies](#) ; [Jon Livingstone](#) ; [Nick Bellamy](#) ; [Stewart Mitchell](#)  
**Subject:** FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE REPORT TO COUNCIL ON 3 JULY 2019

Gentlemen,

Firstly, I'm unlikely to be able to attend the council meeting on Wednesday but should be back from Birmingham in time for the business meeting. Brian Davies will report on all 'Walk' related matters.

There are now 200 registrations for the Walk and this is very much in line with this time last year albeit that we opened the website 2 months later this year. Great work being done by our new FaceBook supremo (Shaun) but its disappointing that we haven't had success with the Newsquest owned local publications (Romsey Advertiser, Southampton Echo and Hampshire Chronicle).

Nevertheless, at this early stage we would expect registrations to be at or about last year's level of 700 although, subject to better weather, we'd hope for more walkers on the day.

We will use the Rotary Mayors Picnic to further promote the Walk with leaflet distribution (cafe and bar areas).

No concerns to report. The logistics team has begun walking stretches of the Test Way to check for conditions, particularly stiles. The work on the Causeway gave some concern until we established that our route from Saddler's Mill to the Memorial Park is unaffected by the closures which are in effect until October.

The website and registrations systems developed by Dave and Steve continue to perform well.

As always the message is: get the leaflets and posters out there and keep posters topped up.

Best,  
Sandy

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

**From:** [Keith Cameron](#)

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 02, 2019 3:02 PM

**To:** [Keith Cameron](#)

**Subject:** Communication report for June

Bill,

My apologies for missing your first Council meeting. Hope all goes well and you enjoy your march through Town, assuming the tarmac has hardened!

### **Communications Team June Report 2019**

A frustrating month with The Romsey Advertiser. Peter provided some good material for the Mayor's Picnic and they did print a piece but without photos, however, nothing on the Walk 'Early Bird'.

It seems the modern trend is not to acknowledge receipt of articles. John Gould is planning to meet with the local reporter to understand how we can work more efficiently with them.

Behind the scenes there has been activity with the continued development of our website and Facebook is now back in operation thanks to Shaun.

Please have a look at the new area on our website in the member's area under *Archives & Photos*. Paul has started loading photos, so please send any you think will be of use to him.

With the start of our new Club year John has updated our website. I am attaching at the end of this report the words used for each committee. ***Can Chairs please update and return to John.***

***Can all Chairs please ensure that we receive articles and photos on your events. This is the only way we can update our Newsletter and other outlets, Facebook website, media etc.***

Graham Lee has provided contacts for the majority of local publications. Articles about the Test Way Walk and the poster material have been sent for their use. Response has been positive and you should be noticing coverage of the Walk. If you see any, could you please let me know so that we can thank them.

Most of you will have seen the two new Club sail flags. These will be in use for the first time at the Rotary Mayor's Picnic. The idea is that they will be used at all our events (inside and outside) to help promote awareness of Rotary in Romsey.

The latest issue of the RIBI magazine has been distributed around the town and any remaining copies will be used at our stand at the 'Picnic.

*Keith Cameron, Chair Comms Team 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019*



## **FOUNDATION**

**From:** [Stewart Mitchell](#)

**Sent:** Monday, July 01, 2019 8:58 AM

**To:** '[Sandy Dunn](#)' ; '[Gren Lamb-Hughes](#)' ; '[Bill Gidley](#)' ; '[Rickett, Bryan](#)' ; '[Roger Shepherd](#)' ; '[Stuart Wineberg](#)' ; '[Iain & Alison Small](#)' ; '[Peter Stuckey](#)' ; '[Clive Collier](#)' ; '[Steve George](#)' ; '[Keith Cameron](#)' ; '[Brian Davies](#)' ; '[Jon Livingstone](#)' ; '[Nick Bellamy](#)'

**Subject:** RE: Foundation report to Council JULY 2019

**Hi all,**

Ref Foundation Report to Council July 2019.

Quiet on Foundation front.

However Hilliers project group had a meeting recently to push on with preparations for next years Purple for Polio event in March 2020.

From that Ive contacted District to see what help they can give for funding promotional aspects and advertising,.

Regards

Stewart Mitchell

## **INTERNATIONAL**

### **International Committee Meeting**

The committee will be holding its first meeting on Thursday 11 July.

### **School in Nepal**

The donation of £100, together with another £300 from friends of David Johnson (former Head of Romsey Primary School who made the Club aware of the school), has been sent to Madan, who is building the school, in Nepal.

Madan, at my suggestion, has already contacted the Rotary Club of Kathmandu North East which is now arranging to meet with him.

David Johnson will be speaking to the Club on this subject at the breakfast meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> July.

## **SPORTS & SOCIAL**

### **SPORTS AND SOCIAL REPORT JULY 2019**

The handover event seemed to go well and the speaker managed admirably without audio assistance.

The first meeting of the new S & S committee will take place on 10 July at which currently planned events will be discussed and, hopefully agreed and other events considered.

29 July partners event is planned to take place in the marquee at The Cromwell Arms and they will provide a three course meal plus coffee for £25.00 not including gratuity. The speaker will be Louise Govier from Mottisfont whose talk will be entitled MOTTISFONT – PAST PRESENT AND FUTURE

11 December Christmas dinner with partners is planned to be in the White Horse in Romsey who will provide a good 3 course meal with coffee for £30.00 . Entertainment will be provided.

Boules. Steve George is on the case for participation in this years District comp

Golf. Norman will investigate a fun match with the lunchtime club

Skittles Mike Hicks will continue as our skipper for next year

Snooker I hope that Nick will agree to take this on for next year.

David Pantling is writing a 'revue' which he hopes to put on for members in December. Details later.

Other events will be notified in due course.

"That's all for now, folks !!"