

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: Moor Pool Residents Association on Saturday 29th January 2022 at 12.15pm in Moor Pool Hall

Present:

John Healey (JH) – Chair and Secretary
Maureen Mauser (MM) – Membership secretary
Jill Howes (AJH) – Minute-taker
Carl Parkes (CP) - IT
Sarah Hanson (SH) - Streetwatch representative
Jenny Buchan (JH) – Planning monitor
Mike Foster (MF) = Treasurer

1. Chair called for a minute's silence in memory of those residents who had passed away over past two years.
2. **Apologies for absence:** Norma Mason (Committee Member) Jules Bellingham, Iris Everitt, Sheila Preece, Joy & Colin Brain.
3. **Minutes of the last AGM** were agreed by Members and Chair signed
4. **Matters Arising:- (a)** from previous Minutes (29 January 2020):- See proposed amendments (item 6) to the Constitution.
5. **Treasurer's Report:** (see attached Report); Summary:-
Total reserves brought forward = £6,129
Annual income = £1,085
Annual Expenses = £1,128
Deficit = (£43)
6. **Amendments to the Constitution:** see document attached
7. **Election of Committee and Officers:** Current Committee Members (see above) were re-elected for the year (2022) Chair welcomed two new members onto the Committee: Margaret Harold and Matthew O'Malley.
8. **Review of last two years and challenges for the future:** Summary of Chair's speech: During a difficult year for the country, the Committee had strived to deal with a number of local issues, including:- Planning issues, badger damage, overgrown trees and hedges, blocked alleyways, illegal parking, destruction of grass verges, anti-social behaviour, crime, overflowing waste bins and bins left out permanently on the footpaths. Several meetings had been held with local councillors and council contractors to address some of these issues.

To better inform new residents, of the Estate's conservation status and Planning Regulations etc., a welcome letter was issued to new residents and local estate agents. Articles have been published in the Duck Newsletter, to highlight that planning permission was necessary before commencing alterations to homes.

Although it was acknowledged the need for electric charging points outside homes for the increasing number of electric cars, advice from Birmingham City Council remained that Planning Permission should be sought first. It is important to preserve the character and street-view of this designated *Garden City Suburb*.

The Chair thanked Andrew Hackett for his work in compiling the **Duck newsletter** and for all the volunteers who distributed it throughout the estate and to Jules Bellingham and her army of helpers, for her initiative in ensuring residents with particular needs, were not forgotten during the Covid Pandemic.

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Membership has been maintained at 80. Chair called for any suggestions on how community would like to use funds in the future.

Events supported included Santa's Sleigh tour in 2020 & 2021. Community Christmas lunch in the hall on 19 Dec 2021, Chair thanked Rob and Jan Sutton for kindly hosting this event, which was funded jointly by Moor Pool Heritage Trust and the Residents Assoc. A contribution (£32) was also made towards the community Christmas tree outside the hall. The coffee mornings resumed from November 2021 on the last Saturday of the month thanks to suppliers of homemade cakes.

Finally, the chair thanked all residents who had strived to maintain goodwill and friendship on the Moor Pool Estate.

Any Other Business:-

- a. SH reported that the City Council would need to secure funding before they can install parking posts anywhere on the estate. SH & Cllr Fowler to follow this up with Councillors.
- b. Rob Sutton suggested there may be a Byelaw that states 'No parking on the grass verges.' There are some original 'No Parking' metal posts still in use on the Estate.
- c. Mathew O'Malley suggested road markings at intervals, to improve access through roads ie. Margaret Grove and Moor Pool Avenue.

Date of next AGM: 12.15pm on Saturday 28th January 2023 – following the coffee morning.

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