**OTTERHAMPTON PARISH RECREATION ASSOCIATION**

**AGM**

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at The Anchor**

**at 7.30pm on Monday, 27th September 2021**

**Present** Tina Gardener, Di Davie, Sue Francis, Ann Leathwood,

Barry Leathwood, Mary Cornish, Connie Sanders, Pete Sanders, Carol Bradbury, Paul Bradbury, Steve Chinn.

**Apologies**  Ann Weston, Gwyn & Angie Griffiths, Sue Ayley, V J Young, Lynne Miller, Betty Hansford, John & Pauline Culleton, Helen Jowett, Wendy Dadds, Janet Burrows, Robert Wright, Allie Evans, Richard Stirling, Jennie Evans, Simon Briggs, Tony Davie.

**Chairperson Report**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the 20th Annual General Meeting of OPRA. (*this should have been the 21st but there was no AGM in 2020 because of the pandemic)*

**21/08 Minutes of last AGM**

Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting held on 18th March 2019 were approved and signed as a correct record.

**21/09 Chairperson’s Report**

Tina thanked the committee members for their continued support over the last two years. In March 2020 OPRA activities ground to a halt as did most of the country. However, we were able to deliver Easter Eggs to all Otterhampton School children and also to village children of primary school age attending other schools in 2020 and 2021. Tina also pointed out that without the funds provided by the 100 Club we would not have survived during this period. She expressed he thanks to Ann and Sue.

The full report is appended to these minutes \*

**21/11 Treasurer’s Report** (inc.100 Club)

Sue Francis presented her Treasurer’s report (as circulated) for the year ended 31st December 2020

The Treasurer reported that at the end of the financial year OPRA had a

bank account £1517.73

cash in hand £177.03.

100 club account £2563.05.

savings account £882.89.

Total at year end  **£5140.70**

**Donations**

We have made donations to the following in 2020

1st Combwich Brownies £250.00

We received donations of £768.17 of which £690.67 was from the disbanded charity of the Rev Dr Jeffrey and Jane Evered. The rest was from 100 club members.

**OPRA 100 Club Report**

We transfer £400 per quarter from the 100 club to the OPRA savings account.

In December 2020 we finished the year with 101 members. At present we have 93 members with another 3 joining in October 2021

From Jan to Dec 2020, we received £5239.00 and paid out £2881.50 in prizes. We pay out 55% of the funds taken – 50% weekly and monthly and 5% for the Christmas draw. We have been granted a lottery licence for a further year to 20 Jan 2022.

We have received donations from some100 club winners.

Any new members should contact a committee member for application forms.

It was proposed by Di Davie and seconded by Barry Leathwood that the report be adopted and agreed by the meeting. The treasurer was warmly thanked for all her work.

The full report is appended to these

**21/12 Election of Trustees/Committee**

**Chair** – Tina Gardener was nominated by Mary Cornish and seconded by Melvyn Fooks and was unanimously elected as Chair.

**Secretary** – Following the resignation of Ann Leathwood after many years in the post, Carol Bradbury volunteered to take the post, nominated by Barry Leathwood and seconded by Di Davie and was elected unanimously. Tina thanked Ann for her years of service and presented her with a bouquet of flowers on behalf of the committee.

**Treasurer** – Sue Francis was nominated by Melvyn Fooks and seconded by Di Davie and unanimously elected. Ann and Sue agreed to continue as 100 Club organisers.

**Committee members** –, Di Davie, Mary Cornish, Barry Leathwood, Felicity Ashworth and Melvyn Fooks who had indicated that they were prepared to continue were nominated by Sue and seconded by Peter Sanders were duly elected to the Committee en bloc

The chair pointed out that there were vacancies on the committee and invited nominations or volunteers. Connie and Pete Sanders and Paul Bradbury volunteered to be committee members. On the motion of the Chair they were unanimously elected.

**21/13 Future activities** Suggestions

21st Anniversary of OPRA, agreed to try to arrange an event in October

Horse racing evening in the Anchor

Alys Laver WWT (talk)

Harbourmaster (talk)

Wendy Ranson (Bridgwater history talk)

Otterhampton Local History Group (talk)

Pete Sanders (working in Bridgwater docks)

Paul Bradbury (model making talk)

**This completed the business of the Annual General Meeting, which was closed at 8.10 pm**

*Members then enjoyed a social gathering with refreshments.*

*Signed……………………………… Date……………………….*