

SILVERSTONE RECREATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Annual General Meeting – 17th July 2019 – 19.30 @ SRA

Present: Nick Ashby (Chairman), Mik Broomhall, Steve Capewell, Sophie Collier-Purr, Karen Duncan, Elaine Dyer (from 20.05), Peter Dyer (from 20.05), Bruce Fleming John Fowler (Secretary), Chris Kelf, Linda Paice, Glenice Purr, Natalie Read (Treasurer), Ben Robinson (from 20.54), Ian Thomas, Fiona Threlfall, Michelle Webb, Richard West, Brian Whitlock, Peter Woolford

Apologies: Colin Harrison, Jo Jones-Hayes

1.0	<u>Chairman's Report</u>
1.1	Challenging year where expenditure exceeded income partly because of the hot weather conditions in 2018
1.2	Excellent co-operation from the various field users and thanks to Mik Broomhall for leading
1.3	As a result there is a proposal to reorganise the Management Structure
1.4	Refurbishment of Changing Rooms and Toilets
1.4.1	Tenders received
1.4.2	Grant funding offered by Parish Council
1.4.3	Application to SNC for New Homes Bonus Funding has been recently declined with the invitation to resubmit providing more information
1.4.4	Leisure Enhancement Committee to meet on 22 nd July 2019 to progress. Linda Paice confirmed that it is unlikely that £250,000 would be granted by SNC
1.4.5	Other sources of funding (including Football Foundation) to be explored
1.4.6	Could support for the funding applications be obtained from neighbouring parishes where they do not have the facilities?
1.5	Growth in use of the field causes problems with car parking but is a bonus with the expansion of the junior football and cricket sections
1.6	Stressed the need for more people to become involved with actions to ensure the success of the SRA
2.0	<u>Treasurer's Report</u>
2.1	Statement was circulated which showed an excess of expenditure to income of £9,439.46
2.2	Main income was from the Parish Council Precept, Hall Hire, Fund Raising, Bar Hire, and Field Hire
2.3	Main expenditure was on Field Maintenance, Gas & Electricity, Water (although this will now reduce following completion of the back payments, Cleaning and Insurance
2.4	Fund Raising included Picnic in the Park in 2018 (alternative years and which was not taking place in 2019) and Grand Prix Raffle (which had not occurred in 2019)
2.5	John Fowler proposed and Nick Ashby seconded that the statement be accepted and this was unanimously agreed
3.0	<u>Re-Structuring of the Management Committee</u>
3.1	Nick Ashby explained the present arrangement with the Charity Commissioners and the Parish Council and that the documentation needed to be redrafted to reflect the changing circumstances. These would need to be agreed with the Charity Commissioners and Parish Council
3.2	The success of the field users working group from 2018 had seen the day to day management and maintenance taken from the SRA committee and this was welcomed
3.3	A meeting had been held with the building users on 10 th July 2019 to explain the proposal. Further meetings would need to be held by the building users to explore the terms of reference and responsibilities. The proposal had been understood and generally well received
3.4.	Proposed Structure of the SRA Management Committee
3.4.1	The proposed structure was to have the management committee comprising the Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary together with the Parish Council representative together with two from each of the Field and Building Users.
3.4.2	John Fowler proposed that this be adopted from the 2020 AGM. This was seconded by Steve Capewell and unanimously agreed.
3.4.3	The period to the 2020 AGM would allow issues to be identified and solutions agreed
4.0	<u>Election of Officers</u>
4.1	The existing Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary were willing to continue to stand and were unanimously re-elected
4.2	Mik Broomhall was invited to come onto the committee and agreed
4.3	More proactive assistance was required from some of the current members of the management

	committee
5.0	<u>Any Other Business</u>
5.1	<u>Hire Charges</u> – all need to be considered both in light of alternative hire opportunities and intensity of use. This relates to both hall and field users
5.2	<u>Grand Prix Camping</u> - disappointed at the Grand Prix camping for 2019. Nick Ashby explained the background and that responsibility was with Steve Hancock / The White Horse as they had agreed to organise in return for a payment to the SRA. It was agreed that the management committee would explore opportunities for 2020 and a decision would be made at the January 2020 meeting as to how to proceed
5.3	<u>Membership Fee</u> – to increase income could a membership fee be charged? This had been done historically without real success and was open to abuse. Donations could be made if there was interest
5.4	<u>Village Precept</u> – the method of calculation for the payment to the SRA for the maintenance of the field was explained based on numbers on the Electoral Role
5.5	<u>Fund Raising</u> –Linda Paice to provide details to Karen Duncan of the contact at SNVB.
5.6	<u>Tennis Courts</u> – Concern was expressed that weed killer (or similar) had been used around the Tennis Courts rather than cutting back. This had not been authorised by the SRA and it was unlikely that the work was licenced. Confirmation was given by the tennis club that this would not happen again.
5.7	<u>Gate by Tennis Courts</u> – this had been padlocked recently allegedly at the request of a Parish Council representative. Keys were held by Glenice Purr. The request may have been made as a result of the proximity of the weed killer to the childrens’ play area
5.8	<u>Grand Prix Raffle</u> - it was hoped that the Grand Prix Raffle would be reinstated for 2020 but was wholly reliant on volunteers. Mik Broomhall to raise 2019 with the Racers committee
5.9	<u>Picnic in the Park</u> – Elaine Dyer confirmed that she will organise for 2020 (the week before Grand Prix) as an SRA event for which she was thanked
5.10	<u>Marketing of Events</u> – could the SRA produce a Newsletter (together with the Village Community Facebook Page and News & Views) to promote the facility to the village? Agreed that a good idea but would need a volunteer to produce
	Meeting Closed at 21.42