

Minutes of MVA Board meeting held on 11th January 2015

Present:

Directors: Rob Bailey, John Holton, Vicky Waine, Simon Wisdom.

Members: Dale Cheney, Karen Cox, Allan MacDonald (part), Pat Rowley,

Apologies: Stephen Farthing, Bob Littler, Steve Thorpe

	Action
<p>1. Matters arising from last meeting: <u>Asset Registers</u>: Hugh has circulated current Asset Registers for MVA and TCAM. Review in six months. <u>Welcome Pack for new residents</u>: Bob Littler's list of enclosures was discussed. A commitment as to who should do what was added. (Some requests for assistance to be made.) It was decided not to advertise businesses, (e.g. window cleaners), as this might be perceived as favouritism if any are inadvertently omitted. Progress on establishing information to be brought to the next meeting. RB to co-ordinate.</p>	<p>Separate enclosure to follow</p> <p>RB</p>
<p>2. Information from Treasurer: Balance remains healthy at £25,346.20. There was further discussion as to how some money might be invested and accommodating older youth was considered. Hugh has produced a spreadsheet showing spare capacity in use of the Centre and that only 17.8% of total use is dedicated to the 12-18 age groups currently. Spare slots can be identified and advertised in order to encourage more use for them. Encouragement to be given via Newsletter and Letter to Village.</p>	<p>PR VW</p>
<p>3. Communications: A draft of the letter to all villagers will be brought to the next meeting. Hugh and Dale could add a brief piece on the work of the Centre and its further opportunities. The Charity Dog Show, (Megan Spring), could also be used as an example of a successful one-off initiative. Trish Cottington to be approached re distribution.</p>	<p>VW RB HM DC</p>
<p>4. Issues for MPC: The sprouting of a large wind turbine in a nearby field and excavation activities on the pub site has generated a degree of debate and some consternation, (Facebook). Pat reported that Bob Littler has submitted an extensive item for the newsletter which includes information on these matters. (For information: the wind turbine has apparently been erected on land owned by Daventry District Council and it's been reported that they even omitted to inform Kettering BC of their plans!)</p>	
<p>5. Newsletter and website: There was extensive discussion around the strategies for recruiting a successor to Pat and it was agreed that Vicky's rewrite of the recruitment piece should go on the back page but leaving no doubt that the newsletter is an MVA function. (Pat kindly brought drafts of the front and back page and they look good.) It was also agreed that we should wait to see if anyone comes forward to address, (with interested MVA board members), the issues that Pat has raised regarding the future of the newsletter.</p>	<p>RB</p>
<p>6. Any Other Business: Allan MacDonald raised the issue of the planned placement of a portakabin adjacent to the older children's play area. The plan apparently includes using the portakabin as a self-governing youth facility. The plan as explained raised some concerns and it was agreed that a letter should be submitted to MPC. This letter to include details of the concerns and a request for more consultation on the matter.</p>	

Next Meeting: **Sunday 1st February 2015 at 5.00pm**