

NCA AGM 21 September 2010

Present:

Rory McNiele (chairing), Jackie Holdstock, Steve Palmer, James Leigh, Will Paley, Naomi Paley, Kerrie Seymour, Richard Branston, Su Aves, Jayne Leaver, Mathew Vizard, Doris Marcelo, Mark Palmer, Sally Palmer, Peter Montgomery, Emily Mclvor, Mike Hodges, Jacky Cox, Zoe Barlow, Maddy Smith (University Students Guild) (Quorate)

Welcome and introductions

Annual Report:

Steve Palmer presented the Trustees Report for 2019.

Accounts

James Leigh presented the Accounts for 2019. Thanks to all who helped.

Questions/discussion.

Rory – we went into the building project with about £20K in the bank account, we currently have about £20K in the bank.

Su Aves – congratulations and thanks to all involved, especially James.

James - Thanks to Gareth Carey-Jones for passing on the accounts in good order, and thanks to Rory for managing the costs of the new build.

Vote on acceptance of the Annual Report and Accounts: Unanimous in favour.

Trustees election

There was not a vote on Trustees because sufficient had resigned to meet the rule, and no volunteers had come forward.

Comments from Councillors

Richard Branston – Jo Evans contacted to say she was standing down as leader of FOBP. Good news from Corn Exchange, offering a free supply of cups and saucers. Spoke about the community grant consultation from ECL – the option for work on the green space won. Wants to follow up on lighting in the Park with other grant opportunities. A group doing a community Garden is looking for affiliation to manage a grant application.

Matt Vizard. Clarified on the ECL grant for the Clifton Hill Green Space.

Su Aves – Spoke about grants available to City and County councillors.

COVID-secure venue.

Kerrie Seymour reported on the reopening and the adaptations. Reopened for one week now. There is a one-way system in place. All the users are following Track and Trace rules, and helping massively with cleaning before and after events. Grant received for equipment and consumables. Nice to see people back in the building, and there is a nice buzz.

Su Aves – NCA Social Café members have decided to leave it until January before restarting, but the group is organising paired walks in the open air. Qigong has started twice per week.

Doris Marcelo – is there support to use the building for a Covid testing centre or food bank? Matt Vizard – could be a role as a vaccination centre.

Jayne Leaver – Thanks to Su and Rory for helping with the Newtown Assistance Group. Thanks to the Arts Group for making art packs

The meeting closed at 21:10