

# Newtown Community Association Committee Meeting

Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> October 2021, 7:30 – 9:00 pm by Zoom

## Welcome and apologies

Present: Steve Palmer (chair/secretary), Kev Winsor, Jayne Leaver, Chris Towley, Matt Vizard.

Apologies: Rory McNeile, Jackie Holdstock, Kerrie Seymour Will Paley, Richard Branston.

## Approval of Minutes – 23 August 2021 & AGM 25 September 2021

Approved subject to minor amendment to AGM minutes noted by Jayne.

## Matters arising

Lighting in Belmont Park – Richard Branston is leading on this. Grant application to PCC submitted. Suggested that there should be a future community consultation, ideally with possible designs of lighting type being included.

## Finance Report

Current account balance is £29,965.76, with income from use of the Centre comfortably exceeding routine expenditure over the last two months. £1000 was received from Exeter City Council – this was delayed payment of two Locality grants each of £500.

There was a £300 donation from St Matts – gratefully received. Ed may come to next Social Café.

## Newtown Community Centre – Manager's report

Not available.

## Maintenance

Glass door fixed very efficiently – the photo was popular on social media. There is a loose brick in the wall at the end of the verandah – Will or Steve to do a temporary fix. The new Salto locks on the kitchen and stairway doors are working well.

## Friends of Belmont Park

ACTION: Steve to set up a meeting with Rachael and Kev.

## Revenue generation, grants etc.

No new applications.

## Website, social media

Items on Facebook page included Electric car points – posts, Zumba class, Scrapstore crowd-funder. Jayne suggested following Newtown and St Leonards Exeter group – Kev has done this.

Discussion of putting local history information. Suggested contacts include Michael Parrott and Wally Wellings. Also Exeter Memories (Ray Hall). ACTION Kev.

## AOB

Winter Warmer – Sunday 12 December – Enquiry from Belmont Chapel about linking with carol-singing round Newtown, and suggestion from Peter Montgomery to include Roots Band and Jazz Orchestra. Publicity is needed beforehand. Question about numbers of people, and required space (large room is 35 at present). Suggestion from Peter Montgomery to use Bowling Green, but also limited space. Other possibilities are St Sidwells Centre, or Belmont Chapel. Ali suggested Maketank AGREED this will be arranged by a subcommittee of Kerrie, Will, Jayne, Chris, Kev..

Chess club – ACTION Steve to set up a meeting with Paula Goldsworthy, Kerrie and/or Will to explore ideas.

Defibrillator - Suggestion received following AGM publicity. ACTION Steve to continue to investigate. Fitment would be on the wall by the bicycle hoops – power is available in the roof-space over the front door.

Student Community liaison. – contact made with Steve (response to be sent ACTION Steve). Could use to publicise Winter Warmer.

Noted death today of Peter Edwards, former ECC Leader who was instrumental in building community centre. Steve to send note to Kev. ACTION Kev to post.

### Next Meeting Date

Monday 15 November by Zoom.

### Trustees only

Agreed to write a role description for treasurer and chair.