

Draft Minutes of the Lingwood Social Club Annual General Meeting held at Lingwood Village Hall, Station Road, Lingwood, NR13 4AZ on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2018 at 8.15 PM when there were present Jim Marshall, Stephen Moore, Sue Sturman, Nikki Buckley, Sally Medler, Kerry Sturman, Simon Stevens, Janet Marshall, Pat Farahar, John Rups, Mick Whetter, Jane Foster, Ken Foster, Bob Thorpe, Christine Thorpe, Marge Reed, Anne Bone, Tony Gould, Richard Bethell, Brian Whisken, Christine Stowell, Mary Moore, Paul Sheldrake, Evelyn Childs, John Reed, Sam Bethell.

## 1. Welcome and Apologies

Social Club AGM followed straight after the Village Hall AGM, apologies from Carla Sutherland standing apology from Cathy Townsend.

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

No new declarations noted

# 3. Minutes from last annual general meeting

Minutes from last year's annual general meeting were read out by Jim Marshall and were agreed by those present.

Proposed by Ben Bethell and seconded by Anne Bone. Jim Marshall signed them.

# 4. Chairman's report by Jim Marshall

"Social Club AGM Report 2017 Social Club This year has proved to be profitable for both club and village hall. The events planned and unplanned have been well received and supported. We look forward to 2018 being equally if not more successful. The social club continues to work hand in hand with the hall committee to ensure that the facilities are used to benefit all. I would like to thank my fellow committee members and volunteers for their support and hard work over my time as Chairman, especially Mary my vice chair during my absences this year. I too wish to pay tribute to our bar team who have given 100% especially at the large functions when they have been truly tested to supply our customers' needs.

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The committee meets regularly to discuss events and operational issues, all decisions being determined by vote. Whilst hall and club operations are generally received well by the members and customers there have been occasional criticisms of how the committee decisions are not in the best interests of members. To this we say then maybe members or villagers should offer more interest in how the hall in total is run. We as volunteers have the community's interests at heart and would welcome others to participate in the running of both club and hall, as it is after all said and done a "community hall". It should be recognised that Hall and Club achievements would not be possible without the commitment and support of the committees and volunteers who give up their time throughout the year. Thank you to you all, and we would welcome anyone to join the team. "YOUR VILLAGE HALL NEEDS YOU"

Membership Membership numbers have grown in 2017 and we look forward to members renewals during February going forward. The cost will remain at £5.00. I take this opportunity to remind members that the club has rules to which we expect they adhere to. We operate as a social club and welcome children but emphasise that it is the parents responsibility to ensure the children behave socially with consideration to other members. The fortnightly family children's evening is proving to be successful and with age limitations in the club room on the two Fridays seeing that older members get some respite from the youngsters. Again this is a voluntary run event so any parents wishing to be involved we would welcome them, please speak with Kerry the hall Steward. Finances Last year saw the purchase of picnic tables, these will be positioned in the courtyard and on the green for the use of customers, when weather improves. We will be looking for volunteers to help position these securely in the coming weeks. Please let us know if you can help. Other costs included purchase of games, pool table repairs, window blinds, Sonos music system. We look forward to improving seating and tables this year, also providing privacy blinds for the glass partition to the atrium Paul will be giving an overview of the clubs finances in a separate statement, I thank him for his continued support in managing the accounts, stocks and bar team. Staffing The Social Club has five on the team of bar staff, and it should be recognised that they have become an integral part of the club offering a welcome and good service to all. It should be noted too how they are supported by the committee members. Club Room is now open from Tuesday to Friday evenings as well as the regular advertised weekend times. Our intention remains to encourage use as a regular meeting and drinking venue. We provide a selection of fun evenings such as wine and food events, karaoke, live music, darts, pool, not to forget the BBQ's when weather permits.. As the MUGA lettings increase it is hoped that users will, if not yet members, join and benefit from using the club during and after events. The outside area will with picnic benches be a great benefit in fair weather. Hall Events The Social Club is as ever committed to supporting the Hall functions, Weddings, Christenings, Funerals, Dances and parties. These events ensure bar takings are bolstered by event users over the year and long may they continue. The use of the Clubroom during the mornings for the Hug A Mug Cafe team has proven to be a great success, providing additional income for the Village Hall. Forthcoming events are planned for the year, this will include the regular Ceilidh, Race Night, Quiz Nights, BBQ's and of course another annual celebration.

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Any questions or comments from the floor?

Jim Marshall Social Club Chairman 19/02/2018"

Need for a shield from dart board for people sitting in the bench seating? Discussion, perhaps curtain, board or glass shield.

Could members have trip organized to Cromer Christmas Show? Discussion, Thursford also suggested. Bus organised.

Courtyard untidy and lack of regard by members. Discussion, Bar team to monitor behavior and CCTV in real time. AM check by hall manager and/or cleaner agreed.

Membership cards – Discussion of need for new cards each year, other suggestions punch holes in for year. Colour rotation, Presently cost 200 pound per year.

### 5. Treasurers report

See separate copy. Copies are ready for any one who wish to take one.

#### 6. Election

Committee members all happy to remain in post. No new nominations. Jim consented to continue as Chairman. Jim stated it would be good to have younger people on the committee. New committee members welcome.

Proposed by Simon Stevens, Seconded by Evelyn Childs. Unanimously agreed

## **7.** Members Money

1500 pounds in pot to spend Options are – TV, Chairs, Tables.

Benches have been well received. Trustees able to add to the pot for Tables and Chairs.

Show of hands, all in favour of table and chairs.

#### 8. AOB

Committee happy to share information, open to enquiries. Please approach a member of committee if anyone wish to know anything.

Clubroom usage: Hope to extend opening time in the future, Club room is for the hall to hire out and use as wanted. Club Room is for use of the Club members when the Club and bar is open.

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Could side door be use for Social Club so hall main doors can be locked when rooms not in use? Open door
policy, which more welcoming. To continue with same procedure.

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Minutes agreed by Jim Marshall - Chairman:	Signed	Date
Minutes produced by Sally Medler -Minutes	Secretary: Signed	Date

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