



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 9 February 2016 Wellington Hotel

MINUTES OF MEETING

Present: Ross Yates, Paul & Jackie Stedman, Lesley Walker, John Forde, Mary Buchanon, John & Denise Tillinghast, Nick Chater, Chris Searle, Claire Bailey, Steve Coom, Sue Webster

Apologies: Debbie Bezant, Leonora Smith, Sally Searle

Matters Arising from Last Meeting:

Everyone agreed that the talk given by Chris Key was very interesting and informative and it was hoped it could be repeated annually. A letter of thanks will be sent to Chris with this request.

Toilets: Unless taken over by the CIC (community interest company) the toilets will close on 1 April. The Parish Council are awaiting details of the lease and the CCC have agreed to keep them open until the agreement with the CIC is formalised.

Website: Steve was thanked for his continued effort on the Visit Boscastle website, where he reported traffic to the site included 88% new visitors and 22% returning. Members are encouraged to let Steve know of any changes/updates/links to their individual pages and requested to send in any photographs which could be used on the website to promote the village.

Festival: It is with sadness that the festival will no longer take place in its present format. It was felt that it had run its course, not least because of competition, but was too much at risk in making a financial loss, and now needed to move into a different direction. However, the 2015 festival was reported as a great success and had been further enhanced by the Green Scene for which Lesley was thanked for her input. The committee have agreed to pay the guaranteed amounts to the Coastwatch, Gig, Football and cricket clubs who always help out. The remainder will be held until a decision is made as to future events. If nothing has been decided by the Autumn of 2017 a meeting will be organised to vote on how the remaining funds should be allocated. This was proposed by Steve and seconded by Nick. Mike Parsons had resigned as festival chairman and a letter of thanks will be sent on behalf of the BCTC for all his support and hard work. It was also felt that a letter of thanks should be sent to Jill the wife of another stalwart, George Findlay who has recently passed away.

Walking Week: 16 – 24 April All Looking Good!

Village Map: Lesley Walker suggested the reinstatement of the map that was original sited in the car park, listing businesses and locations. This will be put forward at the next Parish Council meeting for discussion.

Election of Officers:

Chairman: *Peter Dixon* proposed Sue, seconded Denise

Membership Secretary/Deputy: *Ross Yates* proposed Sue, seconded Steve

Treasurer: *Chris Searle* proposed Ross, seconded Nick

Secretary: *Sue Webster* proposed Ross, seconded John

Executive Committee: *Claire Bailey, Paul Stedman, Nick Chater, Debbie Bezant* (Christmas!)

It was agreed to keep the Membership subs the same at £25 which are due on 1 March

Treasurers Report to follow

Future Meetings will take place every quarter on the second Tuesday of the month

14 June 13 September 8 November 7 February