



Annual General Meeting - Minutes

Date:	16 March 2019
Time:	11am
Place:	The bar of The Gardeners Rest

Attendees:	44 names and signatures recorded
Apologies:	7 apologies were noted - John Ashworth, Mick Booy, Andy Chaplin, Anne Cooper, Mrs J Crowther, Mr P Swift, Mrs L Swift

Item	Description
1	Welcome from the Chair
2	<p>Chair's Report</p> <p>The Chair reported on the improving financial position of the Society and on the effectiveness of the work done by committee members and staff to improve the efficiency of the pub's operations and its appearance over the past year. Particular reference was made to the fact that the pub had achieved Cask Marque accreditation and a first time entry under new management to The Good Beer Guide – a credit to Cayn White, the Bar and Cellar Manager.</p> <p>The Chair noted that 'firefighting' had been a major activity for the committee over the year, as there had been much to get to grips with. Trade had greatly increased as the year had progressed and he noted that takings on Saturdays now were greater than takings in a whole week previously.</p> <p>Looking forward, he acknowledged the need to communicate better with Members and to consider how best to make use of the two floors above the pub within available resources. He referred to the need to make decisions about how to further the social inclusion agenda after the grant for this work ran out in September.</p> <p>The Chair thanked committee members who were standing down for their valued contributions.</p>
3	<p>Questions to directors</p> <p>Written questions had been received from some Members in advance, and written replies had been prepared (to be attached to the minutes). Questions and comments at the meeting came from Andy Sanderson, Paul Manning, Paul Truin, Nigel Williams, Steve Thompson, Maureen McCredie, Ian Pemberton and Clare Burnell. Response was made - to be recorded as an attachment to the minutes.</p>
4	<p>Acceptance of financial statements to 30th September 2018</p> <p>Proposed resolution: That the independently examined financial statements tabled at the meeting should be accepted without audit. Passed without objection.</p>
5	<p>Appointment of an auditor</p> <p>Proposed resolution: That Hodgson & Oldfield be appointed as The Gardener's Rest Community Society's independent examiner for the next reporting period. Passed without objection.</p>

6	<p>Results of the election of directors:</p> <p>Following the receipt of written and verbal statements from all those standing for election, it was agreed that the following should be appointed as a director:</p> <p>Janet Carter Andy Chaplin Jil Deeley-Noades Janet Ridler Ian Severin</p> <p>Directors continuing - Mark Beckles Wilson (Chair) Jan Brears Andy Crowther, Yes2Ventures Ltd.</p> <p>Directors retiring - Chris Olewicz Phil Vintin, Harry Welburn,</p>
7	Meeting closed at 12.00pm.

Minute taker:	Mark Powell (Yes2Ventures Ltd)
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Signed:	Mark Powell
Name:	Mark Powell
Date:	24 March 2018