

Minutes of the Meeting of Wythall Together 23rd February at the Village Hall

1. Present: Greg Hurst, Sue Baxter, Stephen Peters, Sarah Wakeman, Chris Turner.

2. Apologies: Antonia Furnston has resigned. Her name needs to be removed from the Charities website. Unless we can find a trustee who has experience in community transport we will remain with the five trustees for the moment.

3. Matters arising from the minutes: SP had promoted DAR at the last PACT meeting and prepared an article for the Parish Council newsletter. A cheque for £750 has been presented to Wythall Together by the Fun Run and has been split with St Mary's Elderly Care Group.

SP has donated £2000 to the DAR service from the County Council Divisional fund.

GH contacted Bromsgrove re: the planning application for flats next to the Village Hall and the plan has been redrafted.

The annual report has been sent to the Charities Commission Website.

4. The minutes were approved and signed by GH.

5. DAR report and Finances: The number of trips has gone down from when the service first started. It might be worth investigating alternative or additional operators-all to look out for community mini-buses.

At the moment we are not advertised on Community Travel Worcestershire, **SP will contact Madeline Sumner.**

All to think about revamping the service in the spring and to keep an eye out for any other DAR operators. Any leaflets left for the DAR service can be taken in April to the local pharmacies with a request for them to be delivered with medicines. The balance of funds at 23rd February is £3204 although we have had no invoice for November and the October cheque has not been cashed.

The service is costing around £100 a month and at present we have funds to keep the service going for roughly three years.

6. Village Hall update: Many thanks to SP for all his hard work on the building improvements to the village hall, the work is completed within budget and looks excellent. The parish council contributed two thousand pounds to finish the flooring.

The trustees of the village hall will be holding a meeting on 7th March. Greg will send out an email and book the room. There will be some discussion around the pricing structure for room booking.

SB will meet with GH to finalise handing over the day to day running of the Village Hall and SB will give him the contact details of the caretaker Mrs Robinson.

7. Forward Planning 2017: Expanding the DAR and looking at other operators.

Continue to manage the Village Hall.

Continue to raise funds.

8. AOB: To look at the Dementia Alliance at the next meeting and to hold the AGM.

9. Date of the next meeting: To be arranged for early May. CT will contact the trustees. GH is away the last week in May.

Wythall Together Charity No 1157087

Signed

Chairperson

Date