**Minutes of Beaumont Parish Hall Committee AGM on Wednesday 30th September 2020.**

**Held on zoom**

**Present:**

Committee: Harold Bowron (chair), Michelle Dickinson, Bryony Kirk, Geoff Ramshaw, Julie Irving, Malcolm Cotter,

Non-committee: Albinas Stasaitis (Minutes secretary), Kathleen Bowron,

**Apologies:**  Tom Greenwood, Henry Salkeld,

1. **Welcome and Apologies.**

Harold welcomed everyone to the meeting. **Harold**

1. **Minutes of last AGM**

The minutes from the AGM in 2019 were approved. Harold to retain his signed copy. **Harold**

1. **Annual Report**

Since our last AGM in May 2019, we have successfully achieved another year of functions, maintenance and fun in the hall. Thank you to everyone who has helped with maintenance and cleaning over the last year.

Regular events such as Bonfire Night, Over-60’s Lunch and Children’s Christmas Party have, as usual, been well supported and have raised money to help fund events and hall maintenance.

The 2019 August Sunday Afternoon Teas were very well supported and were becoming more popular, we raised even more funds than in the previous years. The Auction of Promises in October, too, was very successful and, although fewer people attended than previously, more money was raised. Our Valentines 80s disco was, unfortunately, high-jacked by the weather, but those brave souls who did venture out had a thoroughly good evening. These events have provided funds towards the rebuilding of the hall in addition to providing other, mostly local, charities with much needed financial support. Thank you to all committee members, family and friends who organise these events, make and serve refreshments and to those who come along to support us.

Unfortunately, from March 2020, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, other events such as the Beetle Drive, August Sunday Afternoon Teas, our regular Monthly Friday Coffee Mornings and the Quiz and Curry Night have all had to be cancelled. The hall will be able to hold events again, hopefully in the not too distant future, once the Covid-19 restrictions have been removed.

We would like to thank the Parish Council for their continued support with funding towards the hall’s upkeep and maintenance, and also their continued financial assistance with the ongoing maintenance and insurance of the children’s play area and the cutting of the field surrounding the hall. We also greatly appreciate their use of the hall for the 2019 Summer Play scheme which was well attended and enjoyed by children from our own and also surrounding parishes. Again, we permitted the PC to install a Portaloo to the rear of the hall during the walking season in 2019 which provided a much-needed facility. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, the 2020 play scheme did not occur and, due to cleaning restrictions, Portaloo facilities were not available.

We have had regular support from the Kirkandrews on Eden WI, Solway Flower Club, the Youth Club, the Dance Group and Carlisle Young Farmers which we really appreciate. The hall has also seen an increase in use by individuals booking the hall for private events such as parties.

Our funds for the building of the new hall have received a further boost with several donations from our parishioners. We thank those contributors who help to make it more possible to build the new hall. In November, we commissioned and completed the archaeological evaluation of the proposed site, which was found to be “sterile”- much to everyone’s relief! We have now agreed the final drawings, which means that our architects can now submit the planning application for the New Hall to Carlisle City Council.

Since the last AGM we have sadly lost two members from the committee, MaryAnn and Maria, who are both greatly missed and we now are actively looking for new members.

1. **Treasurer’s Annual Report**

2019/20 saw the hall report a surplus of Income over Expenditure of £8043.39 of which £6078.82 was specifically allocated towards the building of the new hall and £1964.57 was towards the day to day running costs of the current hall.

The New Hall fund received a considerable boost this year thanks to the Auction of Promises which was well attended and raised £4600 which was split equally between the hall and Jigsaw Children’s Hospice. August afternoon teas proved a hit raising £1000 and we received donations of £2388 (including book and jam money). Other events were the car boot sale which raised £300, a bag making morning £105 and the fancy dress disco £94. £600 was also raised by the monthly coffee mornings.

The Bonfire night and table top sale were well supported which meant we were able to subsidise the Children’s Christmas Party with the Senior Lunch reporting a small surplus this year.

We continued to receive grants from the Parish Council towards the grass cutting, general maintenance and play area maintenance for which we are very grateful. Hall hire was also boosted due to there being 3 elections in the year.

As a result, the year to 31 March 2020 saw the Hall’s financial position strengthen again with the charity’s reserves increased to £53,954 up from £45,911 the previous year of which the new hall fund stands at £19,039 and general reserves at £34,915.

All in all, we can conclude that the Hall is in a very healthy position financially to withstand what are very unprecedented times.

Hall balance sheet & Income and Expenditure were previously circulated by email.

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| **Beaumont Parish Hall Balance Sheet** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  | **31.03.20** |  |  | **31.03.19** |  |
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| **Current Assets** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cash at Bank |  |  | 53911.58 |  |  | 45891.47 |  |
| Cash In Hand |  |  | 43.18 | 53954.76 |  | 19.90 | 45918.17 |
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| Current Liabilities |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Deposits held on account |  | 0 | 0.00 |  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
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|  |  |  |  | 53954.76 |  |  | 45918.17 |
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| Financed by |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| B/fwd | General |  |  | 32951.22 |  |  | 33889.73 |
|  | Restricted |  | 12960.15 |  |  | 2456.60 |
| This year’s general surplus |  | 1964.57 |  |  | -938.51 |
| This year’s new hall surplus |  | 6078.82 |  |  | 10503.55 |
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|  |  |  |  | 53954.76 |  |  | 45911.37 |
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1. **Booking Secretary’s Annual Report**

Booking report was previously circulated by email.

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| **Total bookings** |  |
| **Month** |  **2019/2020** | **2018/19** |  |
| May-18 | 15 | 8 |  |
| Jun-18 | 12 | 10 |  |
| Jul-18 | 9 | 4 |  |
| Aug-18 | 11 | 11 |  |
| Sep-18 | 7 | 6 |  |
| Oct-18 | 8 | 8 |  |
| Nov-18 | 9 | 11 |  |
| Dec-18 | 4 | 5 |  |
| Jan-19 | 9 | 9 |  |
| Feb-19 | 10 | 11 |  |
| Mar-19 | 11 | 14 |  |
| Apr-19 | 0 | 11 |  |
|  | **105** | **108** |  |
| **Number of booked sessions** |
| **Organisation** | **2019/2020** | **2018/19** |
| Private bookings | 22 | 20 |
| Youth Club | 11 | 10 |
| WI | 7 | 9 |
| Flower club | 8 | 8 |
| Hall Events | 23 | 24 |
| Elections | 2 | 0 |
| Young Farmers | 11 | 9 |
| Parish Council | 4 | 5 |
| Dance group | 7 | 18 |
| Playscheme | 5 | 5 |
| Mokyfit | 5 |  |
|  | **105** | **108** |

1. **Election of Officers**

Chairman: Harold Bowron is willing to continue. Proposed by Bryony, seconded by Julie.

Vice-chairman: Malcolm Cotter is willing to continue. Proposed by Harold, seconded by Michelle.

Treasurer: Julie Irving is willing to continue. Proposed by Bryony, seconded by Malcolm

Grant liaison: Bryony Kirk is willing to continue. Proposed by Michelle, seconded by Harold.

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Bookings Secretary: Bryony Kirk is willing to continue. Proposed by Julie, seconded by Geoff.

Minutes Secretary: Albinas Stasaitis is willing to continue. Proposed by Harold, seconded by Bryony.

1. **Annual review of Hall Hire costs**

Harold proposed to keep the hire costs the same as last year. Bryony seconded the proposals. Any costs incurred by Covid-19 restrictions will be passed on to hirers as they occur. Review these costs nearer to the hall reopening.

1. **Risk assessments**

The risk assessments will be reviewed once we are in a position to reopen the hall.

1. **Any other Business**

Harold asked if he could burn his garden waste by burning it on the bonfire site. Agreed.

Meeting was closed at 20.20 pm.

**Date of next Annual General Meeting: Wednesday 26th May 2021 at 7.30 pm**