



Folk Camps

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AGM 2022

Agenda

- Apologies
- Minutes from AGM of November 2021
- Matters Arising
- Adoption of Annual Report and Accounts to year ending 31 August 2022
- Re-appointment of Accountants
- Resolutions to amend Memorandum and Articles of Association
- Council Appointments (No need for an election)
- Chair report on 2022, and looking forward to 2023
- Any Other Business

2021 AGM Minutes

- Previously circulated via website
- In your packs...
- Any corrections?
- Any matters arising?

Accounts 2022

- Post Pandemic.
- Only 350 summer camp bookings (2019 was 520)
- Reduction in reserves £17.3K
 - Comprises:
 - Investments capital loss: - £6.8K
 - Investments income: + £3.6K
 - Trading loss approx. - £14.1K
- Total Funds: £107K
- Belt-tightening – eg Council spend (pre pandemic, post and since year-end)
- Questions
- Adopt report and accounts
- Appoint Lightwater Accountants Limited as accountants

Resolutions to Amend M+AA

- 2 minor amendments
- Council can set governing membership price – without an AGM/EGM
 - The proposed changes are in order to minimise the need for general meetings to be held for such minor administrative changes
- Add “partner” to family members re being on Council
 - To maintain the Folk Camps' precaution against undue familial influence of members of Council, accounting for unmarried co-habiting couples

Retiring Council

- Becks Boram
- Anne Guthrie
- Sue Malleson
- Sarah Richardson
- Paul Weir

Many thanks to all

- Also Patrick Self (restanding)

New Council after AGM

- No need for an election

	Current Positions
Liz Cooper	Current Vice Chair
Anthony Keen	
Claire Mycock	
Patrick Self	Current Chair
(new)	
Amanda Colman	
Barry Pollard	
Oscar Roberts	
Susie Savage	

Chair's Report



- Looking forward to 2023...

New Locations

- Craft Break
 - Halsway Manor in Somerset
- Summer Marquee location
 - Peakhill Farm – Suffolk
 - 20 minutes to beach at Aldeburgh
 - 30 minutes to beach at Southwold
 - Nature reserve nearby



Aldeburgh beach



Southwold



Flatford Mill



Autumnal view of Bridge Cottage and the River Stour at Flatford | © National Trust Images/James Dobson

Prices for 2023

- Council discussed pricing at our Working Weekend
- Inputs:
 - Predicted 15% increase in costs vs 2022 (e.g. Loos, marquee, food, sites, etc)
 - Aim for trading costs break even (ignore investments)
 - Predicted more summer campers
 - 73% full to 84% full, with some weeks to sell out
 - Planning for 53 more summer campers

2019	£308		
2022	£295	- 4%	Reduction - post pandemic
2023	£325	+10%	Bank of England inflation since 2019 suggests we should charge £360 !!!

- To keep future prices down we need more summer campers

Campers Credit Policy

- Credits – from staffing or Introduce A Friend
- Credits to expire after 5 years
- Accountant's advice!
- Issue mostly affects a few staff who gain more than they spend
- We will tell those affected
- Family and Friends can use the credits too

Listening to Your Comments

- Lots of positive feedback
- Summer camps' duties
 - Perceived fairness
 - Understanding of duties – we will put info on website – especially for new campers
 - Reducing time in kitchen – beware the creative cooks!
- Finding the field!
 - What3words
- Equipment Suggestions
- Catering comments
 - More feedback welcome...

Equipment Manager

- Graham Clements
 - Since 2014
 - Now retired – well earned rest!
 - Thank you

- Brian Flower
 - Welcome!

Provisions Manager

- Jenny Hopper
 - Since 2013
 - Retiring – ready to hand over the role
 - Thank you

- Who next?
 - ...???
 - Applications invited
 - Some info in Extent
 - Contact Liz Cooper for more info

Governing Members on Working Groups

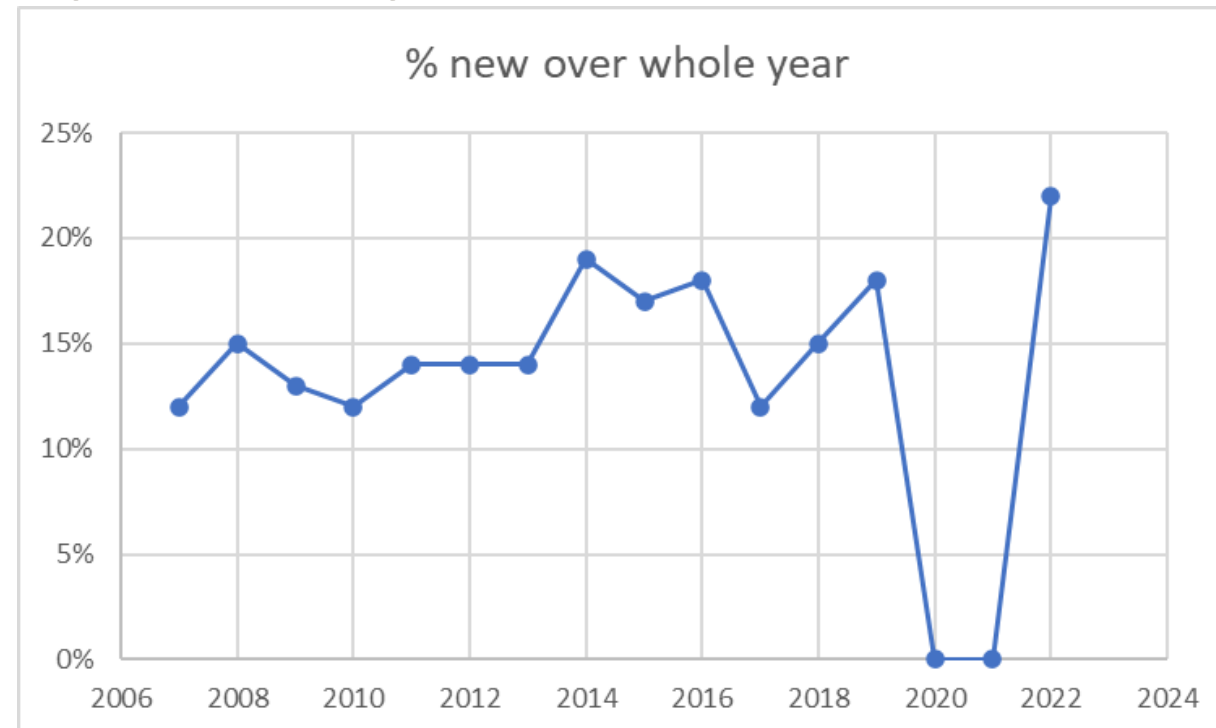


- Council and Contractors do not do everything!
- You can help on Working Groups
- E.g.
 - Sites
 - Marketing
 - Catering
- Or articles for Extent

New Campers

- Total camper numbers low this year – post pandemic caution?
- But
- Many new campers – higher % than in past (21% over year were new)
- Many sources:
 - Facebook (Lockerdown, Sarah Malleson postings: joined 55 groups!, etc)
 - Party Band
 - Word of Mouth / Recommendations
- Keep introducing your friends!

Week	total	new	% new
1	86	17	20%
2	86	9	10%
3	106	18	17%
4	72	13	18%



Thanks



- Volunteer camp staff
- Contractors
- Council
- Anyone that contributes something at a Folk Camp

Any other business

- Anything from the floor?

Thank you



- Thank you for supporting us in continuing to provide Folk Camps holidays