

Folk Camps Council Meeting 19th November 2022 at Toddington Village Hall 16.15-17.30

Present:

Council Members

Liz Cooper
Anthony Keen
Claire Mycock
Barry Pollard
Oscar Roberts
Patrick Self

Contractors

Brian Flower
Lorna Flower
Jenny Hopper
Chris Jewell
Kerstin Jewell
Steve Porritt

Agenda

1. Appointment of officers (Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and Company Secretary)
2. Apologies for absence
3. Approval of Minutes of the Working Weekend 2022
4. Administration report
5. Appointment of Sub-committee members
6. Accidents 2022
7. 2023 Programme (incl. new booking conditions amend re volunteering / taking part)
8. Dates and venues of 2023 Council meetings
9. AOB

1. Appointment of officers (Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and Company Secretary)

Patrick Self was proposed by CM and seconded by AK as Chairperson, unopposed. Elected unanimously.

Liz Cooper was proposed by PS and seconded by OR as Vice Chairperson, unopposed. Elected unanimously.

Claire Mycock was proposed by PS and seconded LC as Company Secretary, unopposed. Elected unanimously.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Amanda Colman and Susie Savage.

3. Approval of the minutes of the Working Weekend 24th-25th September 2022

Approval of the minutes of 24th-25th September 2022 was proposed by PS, seconded by LC and passed with 4 for and 2 (who were not present) abstained.

Matters arising postponed to next Council meeting.

Action – KJ to circulate these minutes to new Council Members

4. Administration Report

KJ submitted a report including: 129 new campers, £785.10 credits were allocated for introducing new campers

BP would like to get more statistics about new campers.

Action - BP and PS to work out how to get better reports and on what out of the database

Action – PS to add Instagram on the drop down menu of the database

5. Appointment of Sub-Committee members

Finance Working Group:

CM, BP, PS, co-ordinator KJ

Marketing & Communications Working Group:

AC, AK, PS, Sarah Malleson, Sue Malleson, co-ordinator OR

Staffing Working Group:

LC, SP, Mic Spenceley (craft, dance, musicians camps only), co-ordinator BP

Catering Working Group:

JH, OR, Mel Horton, co-ordinator LC

Health & Safety Working Group:

BF, LF, CM, SS, PS, Rebecca Boram, Lou Tribus and GM expertise, co-ordinator LC

Development Fund & Bursary Committee:

BP, SS, PS, Jacqueline Beattie, Tony Mealings, Co-ordinator KJ

Contractor Liaison Working Group:

LC, AK, CM, co-ordinator PS

Information & Communication Technology Working Group:

OR, co-ordinator PS

Grants Sourcing Working Group:
AC, AK, SS, co-ordinator CM

Sites Working Group:
SP, Judith Jenkins, Sue Malleson, Sam Mason, co-ordinator PS

Reunion Finding Working Group:
Co-ordinator BP

Action – Marketing Working Group to liaise with the Development Fund and Bursary Committee to publicise the Bursary places

Action – AK to ask Sam Mason if he wants to be in the Sites Working Group

Action – KJ to ask all other Governing Members if they would like to be in the Working Groups

Action – Grants Sourcing Working Group – to define brief explanation of its remit for website

Action – BP to define brief explanation of Reunion Finding Working Group's remit for website

6. Accidents 2022

Five, mostly minor incidents, were reported during the four weeks of summer camps. No additional medical treatment was required. No change of procedures is needed.

There were no accidents reported during the weekend camps.

7. 2023 Programme

Discussion about disabled toilets. Council agreed that disabled toilets should be provided for the Marquee site regardless of any individuals that may or may not come.

Everyone coming to a folk camp should be aware that they are required to do a duty.

Action – SP to source disabled toilets and get prices

Action – PS to add wording to the booking form about duties

Action – PS to add wording to the booking conditions re volunteering/ duties

8. Dates and venues of 2023 Council meetings

Council agreed to have meetings on Zoom apart from the Working Weekend which should be held in person.

CM offered her house as accommodation for the Working Weekend 22nd – 24th September 2023.

Action – KJ and CJ to find a venue incl. a kitchen for meeting near CM

It was suggested to change the venue for the AGM and reunion for 2024 , and consider a different date (e.g. January) and possibly making it a whole weekend.

Action – Reunion Working Group to organise

9. Any Other Business

Obituary is needed for Derek Hammond

Action – CJ to ask Sue Malleson and Paul Weir

New Campers should get more information in advance of them attending their first camp.

Action – AK and OR to compose

There is one Council position vacant.

Action – Council to do a skills audit and come up with suggestions of Governing Members who have missing skills – PS to lead.

Next Council meeting 19.30 on 24th January 2023 via Zoom.

KJ will send a Zoom link on that day.