



# Folk Camps

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## AGM 2024

18 January 2025

Online via Zoom

# Agenda

- Apologies
- Minutes from AGM of November 2023
- Matters Arising
- Adoption of Annual Report and Accounts to year ending 30 September 2024
- Re-appointment of Accountants
- Council Appointments (No need for an election)
- Chair report on 2024, and looking forward to 2025
- Any Other Business

# 2023 AGM Minutes

- Previously circulated via website
  - <https://folkcamp.co.uk/agm/>
- Any corrections?
- Any matters arising?
  
- Proposer and Seconder to Adopt, Vote

# Accounts 2024

- 13 months, not 12
  - Little difference re income and expenditure – few transactions in September
  - But change made Admin less stressful
- Still post-Pandemic? Or is this the new normal?
- Only **364** summer camp bookings (2023 = **350**, 2022 = **350**, 2019 = **520**)
- **Net increase in funds approx. £5K**
  - (Was £4K loss in 2023, and £17K loss in 2022)
  - Details – page 6
    - Income: £134K
    - Expenditure: £133K
    - Investments gain: £5K (was £3K loss in 2023)
- Total Funds reported in accounts: £108K (up by £5K from £103K)
- Questions?
- Adopt report and accounts: Votes

# Resolution 1 Result

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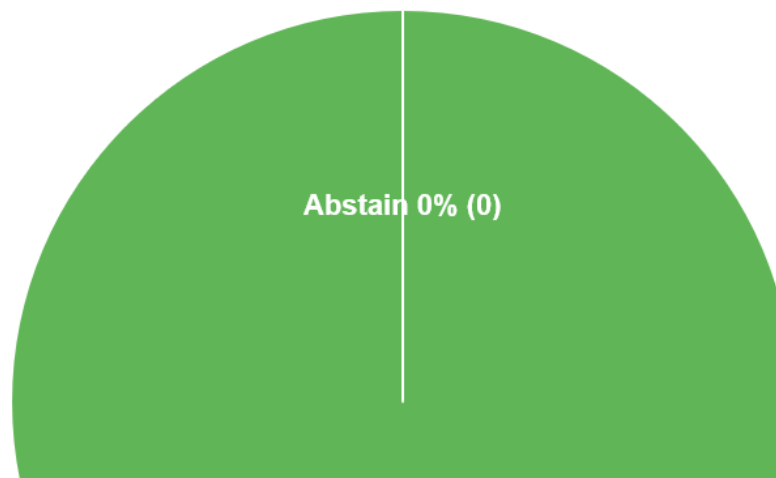
## RESOLUTION RESULTS

### Resolution 1: To adopt the annual report and approve the accounts for the year ending 30 September 2024

Folk Camps Council recommends that you vote to agree with the resolution to approve the accounts and report of the trustees to the Charities Commission.

**28** Total votes    **28** Weight    **50%** To pass

 Yes: 28     No: 0     Abstain: 0



# Reappointment of Accountants

- Resolution to Appoint Lightwater Accountants Limited as accountants for next financial year
- Votes

# Resolution 2 Result



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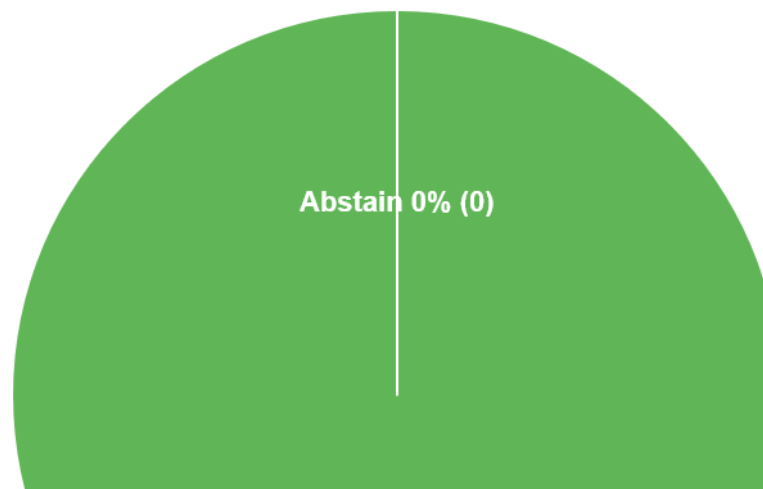
## RESOLUTION RESULTS

### Resolution 2: To appoint Lightwater Accountants as accountants for the financial year ending 30 September 2025

Folk Camps Council are happy with the services (and fees) of Lightwater Accountants, and propose we continue to use their services.

**28** Total votes    **28** Weight    **50%** To pass

Yes: 28    No: 0    Abstain: 0



# Council Election

- After last AGM
  - 2 people short
- We co-opted Hilary Hill and Jenny Hopper
- Brad Stokes stood down during the year
  - Baby commitments!
- We co-opted Jane Wheeler
- Hilary, Jenny and Jane faced members to be elected
  - No one stood against them!



# Current Council

	Current Positions*
Liz Cooper	
Hilary Hill	
Jenny Hopper	
Claire Mycock	Company Secretary
Barry Pollard	
Oscar Roberts	Vice Chair
Susie Savage	
Patrick Self	Chair
Jane Wheeler	

\* NB Council will elect positions for next year after AGM

# Chair's Report

- Contractor Changes
- Statistics!
- Looking forward to 2025
- New weekend event
- H+S improvements – in 2024 and more in 2025

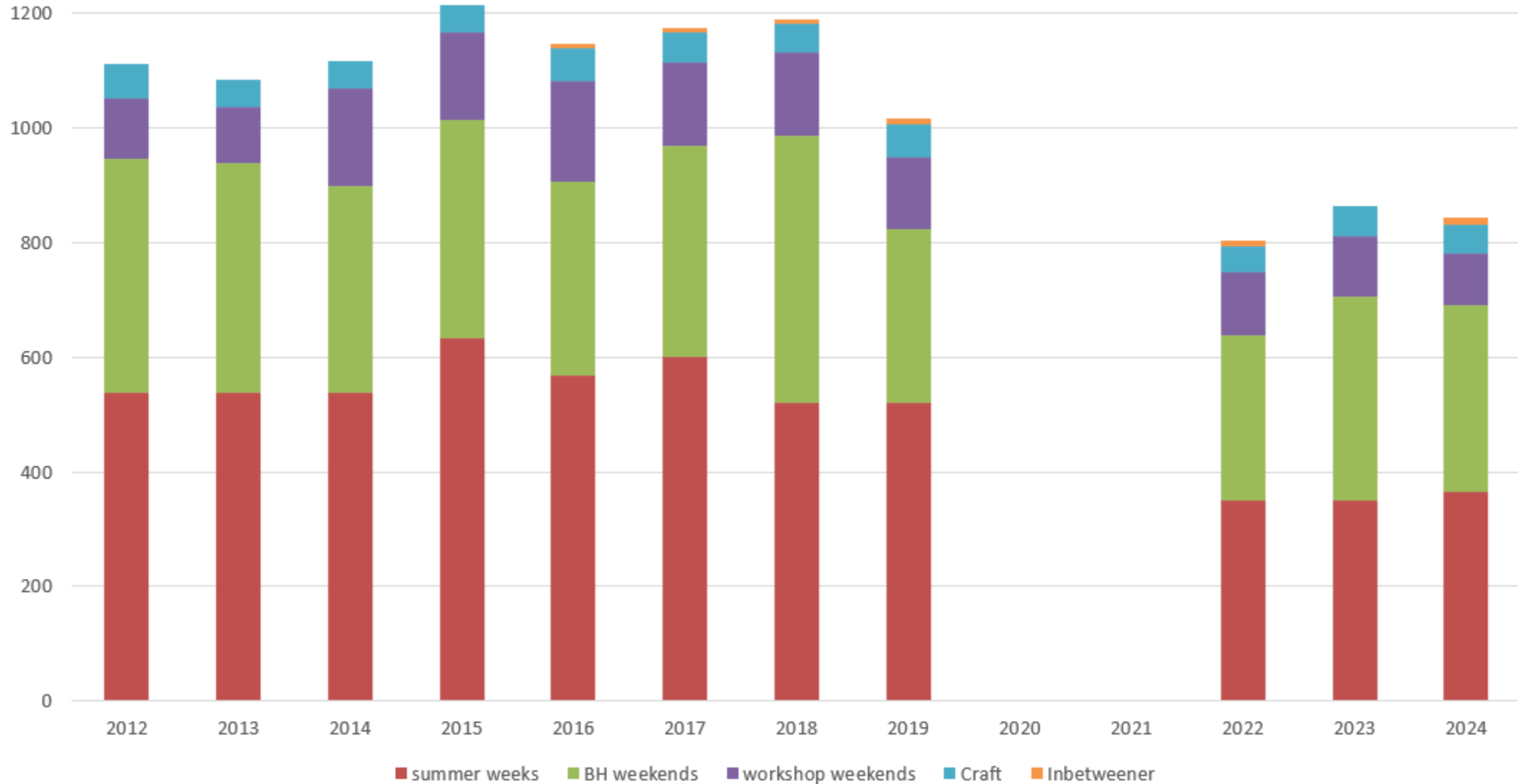
# Contractor Changes

- Jenny Hooper was Provisions Manager
  - “Finished” in 2022, then returned in 2023!
  - Then really finished
- Steve Porritt was Sites Manager
  - Finished in 2023
- Thanks again to both for many years work for Folk Camps
- In February 2024, **Lorna Flower** was appointed **Logistics Manager**
  - Combines previous 2 roles

# Summer Camp Setup

- Brian Flower is current Equipment Manager
- Volunteers wanted to assist with summer camp setup
  - Water pipes, shower tents, kitchen, marquee electrics, gas tanks, moving many things, ...
- More help will spread the load
- Flexible opportunities and rewards
- Couple of days in advance of marquee camp
- Ideally younger / fit / strong / practical
- May lead to future contractor role (but no commitment)
  
- Contact us to discuss

# Numbers of Campers Each Year



# Summer Location

- Marquee: Back to Rhayader in mid-Wales
  - Elan Valley – reservoirs, river, red kites, mountains and much more
  - Not been there since 2016 (and 2010 before that)

# New Weekend for Young People

- Awaiting their branding!
  - Youth Weekend? Or something else?
  - For those age 18+
- 4 to 6 July 2025
- Village hall + recreation field.
- Little Horwood, Bucks. Near Milton Keynes
- Pub next door – serves pizzas!
- £50 early bird price (18-21 and adults)
- Thanks to Lorna for finding a fabulous venue
- We can help arrange last-leg of transport to venue
- Bookings open soon!

# New Social Media Initiatives

- Objectives:
  - Grow number of campers
  - Increase awareness of Folk Camps
  - Encourage email sign-ups – start of marketing funnel
- New people added to team
  - Rosie Savage
  - Steph Broodbank
- New initiatives
  - Reels! (no - that is not a dance term!)



# Health and Safety Improvements

- New in 2024:
  - Gas Safety at summer camps:
    - Summer wardens completed 'Safe use of LPG in Mobile and Outside Catering' Course
    - Gas storage cage + LPG maintenance box + gas guidelines
    - New gas pipes for compliance
  - Kitchen fire safety
    - Stainless steel backs for cookers
    - Fire safety blanket for gas fridges
  - Marquee electrics
    - New lights for food serving area
    - New electrical wiring + circuit breakers
    - Mobile phone charging hubs
  - More signs, more info sheets, more noticeboards
    - As requested in camper comments / feedback
- More in 2025:
  - Another new fridge for the marquee
  - Improve drinking water standpipe
  - Hand wash station outside tardis toilets

# Thanks

- Volunteer camp staff
- Contractors
- Council
- Social Media helpers
- Anyone that contributes something at a Folk Camp
- Everyone!

# Any other business

- Anything from the (virtual) floor?

# Thank you



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