

Annual General Meeting Friday 25 April 2025 Agenda & Minutes

In attendance:

Officers:

Jonathan Evans (Chair) Andrea Coggins (Treasurer) Hayley Bird (Secretary)

Trustees:

Charlotte Shepherd, Tim Gaunt, Ali O'Brien, +19 village members

Apologies:

Alice Marshall, Anthony Park

Key Reports & Updates:

No matters arising from 2024 minutes – signed during the meeting

Chair's Report:

- Focus on community-building events, with special thanks to the Events Team, especially Elaine (Arts Alive), Charlotte (jumble sale & Easter Egg hunt), and Ali (posters).
- New pub night licence; thanks to Anthony (bar construction) and John Lutkin (drinks selection).
- Upcoming installations: CCTV and PA system (thanks to Alex and Mark).
- Improvements: acoustics, garden views, and new table tennis tables.
- Continued income from OHNS car park rental. Issues with car parking, trying to find a solution.
- Treasurer transition: Thanks to Andi (outgoing), welcome to Mark Smith (incoming, proposed by Len and seconded by Mike during the meeting). Other existing Trustees elected in for another year.
- Encouragement for new volunteers; contact Charlotte or Ali for involvement or newsletter sign-up.

Treasurer's Report:

- 2024 finances: Opening £8,800 | Income £16,800 | Closing £8,700
- Income sources: donations, OHNS, hall hire; major expense: acoustic clouds.
- Other investments: bar cooler, kitchen area renovation, hedge planting.
- 2025 budget: Expecting increased event income; near break-even forecast.
- Reserves policy under review to allow further investment.
- Trustee re-elections: All re-standing except Andrea; Mark Smith elected Treasurer (proposed by Len, seconded by Mike).

Open Forum

Announcement: A village panto is planned for December 2025.