

Rotary Club of Canterbury

Minutes of the Business meeting held on Tuesday 2nd November 2021 at 13:00 Hours

Present: S. Thompson (ST) and 24 Club members

Guest: 3 Guests

In Attendance: C. Lees (CL) and M. Blades (Taking minutes)

Apologies: None

Minutes of the meeting of 5th October 2021: Approved

1. Matters Arising

None.

2. Almoner Report

No report as David Lewis was not present due to illness.

3. Induction of new member

Jim Gascoyne was inducted as a member of the Rotary Club of Canterbury.

4. Report from the October Club Council meeting

ST presented the highlights of the Club Council meeting held on the 1st November 2021. Full details can be found in the minutes on the Club website.

1) Video Conferencing

ST advised that the estimated cost for Video Conferencing system upgrade is £600. The booking system is now live. Martin Ward will circulate the link for the site to all committee chairs.

2) Dining Account balances

Members balances in credit up to July 2021 will be refunded next week.

3) Replacement of Dining Accounts Scrutineer

Vacancy still open.

4) Correspondence

ST requested feedback on the new District Newsletter. Views expressed at the meeting were favourable.

ST is compiling a list of Rotary friends. He requested members to email the details of potential friends to him.

5) Polio Plus

ST asked the club to show appreciation to Julie Reza for her efforts to produce the Purple Cook book in support of Polio Plus.

ST expressed his thanks to the team who enabled St Dunstan's church to be lit up in purple on World Polio Day. Special thanks to Philip Abbot for the lighting.

6) Presidential Regalia

Five new name badges are required for the Presidential Collar. It was agreed that one should be purchased to assess the quality before committing to the full amount. Maxine Blades will organise.

5. Pentangular Christmas Carols

Work progressing on arranging a joint Christmas carol event on line. Date to be agreed with the other clubs.

6. Pentangular Report

ST reported that the original plan to visit Port Lympne is no longer feasible. The Pentangular committee is actively seeking out alternative venues for the Saturday morning event.

7. Centenary

ST confirmed that work progressing on the drinking water fountain.

8. Crocuses

Tony Loughran reported expected revenue of £1800. Assistance required to plant bulbs at St Dunstan's church as Canterbury City Council unable to support. It was also noted that there is a delay in planting the corms at St Dunstan's as a turfing machine is required and it may require the Club to rent one to plant the new corms.

9. Regeneration

Peter Hermitage will make a presentation about the Regeneration Programme at the meeting on 4th January.

10. Co-operation with other Clubs

ST asked members to support the Forest of Blean ShelterBox quiz in January

ST noted that the Club is to plan two join events with Sunrise and Forest of Blean to take place in 2022/2023.

11. Committee Reports

An overview of the main activities of each committee was given. Full details available in the minutes of each committee on the club website.

12. Any Other Business

Philip Abbott asked the members to support the Sunrise Christmas float in December. Dates will be published soon.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 7th December 2021 at 13:00

The meeting closed at 14:30
