

Rotary Club of Canterbury

Minutes of the Club Council meeting held on Monday 26^h October 2020 at 18:00 Hours

Present: A. Mepstead (AM), S. Thompson (ST), L. Norris (LN), V. Pritchard (VP), P. Hermitage (PH), M. Ward (MW), M. McGeary (MMG), Tony Loughran (AL), R. Anderson (RA).

In Attendance: C. Lees (CL) Taking Minutes

Apologies: N. Fraser (NF), D. Barton (DB), R. Kemball-Cook (RKC),

Minutes of the meeting of 28th September 2020: Approved

1. Matters Arising

A further meeting is required before the paper on regeneration of the club can be issued. This will take place in the next couple of weeks.

2. President's Business

AM reported on successful planting of crocuses. He thanked Tony Loughran for the organisation and Philip Abbott for the lighting up of the church.

The Christmas Cracker event has been cancelled due to Covid-19 restrictions.

AM has Rotary Face Coverings and Rotary Christmas cards available for sale. Part of the money raised will go to the Polio charity fund.

The English Speaking Union will run the Public Speaking event online this year. Volunteering opportunities exist for Rotarians to fulfil the roles of Master of Ceremonies and judges.

3. Financial Report

RKC had sent the latest finance report in advance of the meeting as he could not attend in person. Some points need further clarification. Questions to be submitted to RKC via email.

PH suggested a simple summary is required illustrating

Income

Available funds

Spending Commitments

Forecast of future spending commitments

Remaining Balance

RKC authorised to make payment of £1.5K to Rotary Club of Dhaka based on £1k from club funds and £500 from individual contributions.

Club Council to agree distribution of funds from donated dining account funds. This is likely to be split between Specific Charities, Club Committees and JPP4.

4. Handling of funds from Honey Bears

Council agreed to transfer £1k to JPP4.

5. Honey Bears Quarterly Review

RA has contacted the hospital regarding the proposed reopening of Honey Bears. He has had no response. Therefore, it is assumed that the money held for Honey Bears is not required in the near future. This leaves a balance of £1.7k. PH suggested some of the money could go to the Prince of Wales Charity instead subject to permission from the original donors. RA to write to the Masonic Lodge to seek permission to use their donation for other projects.

It was agreed that no further attempts will be made to contact the Honey Bears team.

6. Pentangular Presidents Meeting

This is to be held on 21st November with the President and the President Elect both attending.

Briefing for meeting to include proposal for spending the remaining funds from JPP3. VP will circulate paper which can be shared with other clubs prior to the meeting.

There is a remaining commitment of 2,000 Euros to JPP4. The President will report back to Council on the situation re JPP4 after the Pentangular Presidents meeting. A decision will then be made with regards to the funding.

7. Forwarded Dates for Business Meetings and Club Council Meetings

Dates for Business Meetings and Club Council Meetings will be circulated one month in advance so that dates can be flexible to accommodate guest speakers.

8. Any Other Business

VP suggested that the Club looks to Crowd Funding for future projects. ST is already considering using this to fund the proposed fountain in Canterbury city centre.

Date of next meeting: Monday 30th November at 18:00 via Zoom