



Valley Arts and Crafts

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Methodist Hall,

Welshpool on Thursday 5th December 2013

and Christmas Party

Members Present:

Hilda Fix, Parveen Nazar, Penny Vingoe, Tony Caplin, Marge and David Young, Bronwyn Strugnell, Pam and Stu Parnell and Angela and Ivor Hawkins.

Apologies:

Becca Tansley, Sarah Bradbury, Joe and Lin Isherwood, Abby Crutcher, Tony Maitland, Sonya Smith, Stella Gratrix, Phillip Tulley, Mike Browning, Dot Weston, Marie Ashton, Ted and Dianna Rogers, Anthony Butterfield

Minutes of the last meeting: Approved

Chairman's Report:

Hilda welcomed the sparse group to the meeting and thanked everyone for coming. Hilda talked to the group about the recent shows. She said that visitor numbers had been down at Llanymynech, Tregynon and the Workhouse, Llanfyllin. She also asked people to come up with ideas for future shows or events that we could attend or set up ourselves. The subject of the shop then arose.

It was restated that the shop does not open until 12th April and that there were several Tuesdays near the opening that we would be closed unless other people stepped up to do even just one of them which would make a big difference as we did well this year at that time. Any volunteers please contact Pam.

Treasurer's Report:

Shop terminal (card machine). This was discussed in detail, the upshot being that it is still in the shop and will remain there. It was meant to be going back temporarily but the bank

obviously couldn't get their act together. Angela then read out a copy of a letter penned to Ruth re Llanwddyn events and our marquees, thanking them for storing them on our behalf and confirming that they may use them whenever but obviously ownership still remains with us and the right to use them as we need them. Monies in the bank are as follows:

Community Account: £1279.87

Business Money Manager: £2949.74

The matter of signatories for the bank arose. Now that Richard is no longer living in the area his name needs to be taken off the chequebook. As we need two signatures on all the cheques it was decided that Pam and Hilda should become signatories along with Angela and she has started the ball rolling in order for that to happen.

Shows:

Nobody knew of any new shows coming up except Pam and Stu who are doing one near Shrewsbury this Saturday. It is at Bayston Hill and is being organised by the 'Shropshire handmade and Vintage group' It is the first time that Pam and Stu have attended this show and will let others know how it goes.

Any other business:

Hilda announced to the group that we have very sadly lost yet another keen and active member of our group as Sylvia Hurst lost her battle with cancer. Angela has sent a card on behalf of the group to Ian, her husband.

Festivities:

We then had an enjoyable hour or so with Christmas music, lots of lovely food and drink and a really enjoyable quiz thanks to Hilda. It's a pity that lots more members missed out on a very enjoyable time.