

**NEUADD DYFI ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**Held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2019**

**Officers present:**            **Chairman    Mr Des George.**  
   **Vice Chair    David Williams.**

**Members present:**            **Sandy Andrews, Dewi Owen, Trevor Lumley,**  
   **David Inman, Brian Kelly, Pat Hellen, John Reynolds,**  
   **Tony Bowron.**

**Apologies for absence:**    **Bryn Lloyd, Louis Hiatt, Megan Reynolds, Stephen Myatt.**

**Chair Person's Announcements:**

**462:** The Chairman stated that the matter of policies and Trustees Insurance needed attention and he would do so as soon as possible. He asked to be reminded if this was not done.

**Minutes of the last AGM:**

**463:** There were no matters arising from the previous minutes. Proposed by Brian Kelly and seconded by David Williams.

**Chairpersons Report, including Accounts for the year 2018-2019**

**464:** The Chairman explained the format of the accounts and they are as presented to the Charities Commission. He explained that they were very reasonable over the period with a significant increase in hire takings with a slight decrease in running costs. Proposed by David Inman and seconded by Tony Bowron.

**Updating the list of organisations eligible to nominate a representative to stand on the management committee.**

**465:** WI and Mothers and Toddlers were removed from the list. It was suggested that the Community Lunch organisers and Outward Bound might be candidates and the chairman might conduct a community survey to see if other parties were interested.

**Appointment of up to 8 individuals wishing to stand on the new Management Committee plus up to 3 co-opted members.**

**466:** At the moment three local organisations are represented being Aberdyfi Players, Rotary Club and Fire Service, all of these are happy to continue.

**Appointment of up to six individuals wishing to stand on the Management Committee.**

**467:** Bryn Lloyd as one of the council representatives is standing down leaving a vacancy. A new representative will be selected at the Council AGM in May 2020. David Inman is standing down as he hopes to shortly move away from the village. The Chair thanked him for his help. The remaining members were willing to re-stand and interest had been shown by Jan Rajput to join the Committee. It was queried how many we were short and the Chair explained that the numbers were the maximum allowed but there were adequate positions filled at the moment. The Chairman pointed out that there was an option to co-opt other people if necessary.

**Appointment of Auditor**

**468:** The Chair explained that Major & Evans had worked well and they had access to the Quickbooks Accounting System which simplified the book keeping. David Williams proposed they were used again and Tony Bowron seconded the proposal.

### **Any Other Business**

**469:** John Reynolds queried whether a new treasurer had been found. The Chair replied that one hadn't and there was a general reluctance for anyone to become a treasurer at the moment. Most of the transactions are paid by BACS with very few by cheque and cash. With Quickbooks it is easy to keep tally of the accounts.

**470:** The AGM was closed at 7.45.

## **NEUADD DYFI COMMITTEE MEETING Held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2019 following the AGM.**

**471:** Officers present: as listed above.

**472:** Members present: as listed above.

**473:** It was queried why officers were not appointed at the AGM and the chair replied that the constitution stated officers should be appointed at the first meeting after the AGM.

**474:** The Chair explained that he had met with Officials from the Lottery Commission regarding the availability of funds, but they had no interest in supporting Neuadd Dyfi itself, but only in projects that support the community as a whole. A 'survey monkey' or similar questionnaire is being considered as a method of finding out what the community really wants from the hall and maybe this would reveal other ideas that have not yet been considered. Consulting the community in this way will help with any Lottery funding applications.

**475:** The Chair gave a brief report on the activities of the hall and particularly thanked Sam, a local and enthusiastic youngster, for all his help throughout the year. The Circus event in particular had brought around £1,000 income. Several other events have already been booked for the forthcoming year.

**476:** The issue of dependence on Des was raised and he said he could cope quite well as most things are now dealt with by email, but extra hands were always welcome. There is an option to employ paid assistants, but experience with another local organisation had exposed several legal complications to do with employment conditions. It was suggested that Sam could be approached to join the Committee, but Des explained that he shortly has school examinations and would likely be engaged elsewhere soon afterwards. He will be contacted to see if he is interested.

**477:** It was suggested that an open evening with suitable refreshments was held to introduce new and hopefully younger villagers to the activities of the Committee with recruitment in mind. A new village publication is under preparation and it might be possible to combine its launch event with an open evening.

**478:** A suggestion was made that links with the Community Council should be strengthened especially as some of the funding is provided by the Council, and it was pointed out that Councils have to adhere to legal constraints on their activities, but this could be looked into.

**479:** There was no other business and the Meeting was closed at 8.30 pm.