

# Suffolk IVC AGM 2017

## MINUTES

Meeting Date – Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 19:30

Venue – The Corn Exchange, Bury St Edmunds

### Those attending

Jenny Lowless	JL	Bill Mackintosh	BM
Hazel Mackintosh	HM	Graeme Mount	GM
Brad Rawlings	BR	Phil Riches	PR
Jacquie Roote	JR	Judith Scott	JS

PR opened the meeting at 7:35 and declared the meeting quorate.

#### 1) Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Denise Clegg, Catrin Diverres, Shirley Horne, Julie McMonagle and Gill Reeve.

#### 2) Adoption of Minutes

BM requested that the spelling of his name be corrected. The minutes of the meeting of the previous AGM on October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016 were adopted.

#### 3) Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

#### 4) Officer's Reports

Reports from the Chair, ALO, Treasurer and Membership Secretary had previously been circulated by e-mail to save time and paper.

Chairman's Report (including Publicity and Website) -- PR noted that an attempt had been made earlier in the year to amalgamate with Ipswich Outdoor Group. The idea was declined by IOG on the basis that the two clubs have a different focus but they were quite amenable to the idea of presenting SIVC events at their meetings and also to putting IOG events in the SIVC bulletins. PR noted that there had been limited success with Google Ads and showed the latest figures. It is hoped to rebuild the website in 2018 using Wordpress, which will allow easier access to the events of other IVC clubs and also enable members of the committee to make changes to the web as necessary with dates and times of club nights being posted. It was also hoped that more time could be found for updating the Facebook page.

Treasurer's report -- BR presented GR's report in her absence. There was a healthy balance now standing at £1,079 up from £980 last year. Income was entirely from membership and outgoings were mainly for web hosting and Google Ads. GM commented that as SIVC has fewer than 50 members that we did not have to pay the £3 per head aIVC levy because we had sent a delegate to the AGM conference; a saving of £84, although there was still £33.80 to be paid in travel costs to our delegate.

Membership Report -- BR said that membership had dropped to 28 compared with 33 last year, with two prospectives in the pipeline and noted that the centre of the club had moved away from Bury to north Essex. He pointed out that if all prospectives from the last four years had joined the club and stayed that there would now be a healthy membership of 250 across the county.

ALO -- GM Summarised his position as ALO and gave a rundown of the minutes of the recent aIVC AGM weekend in London. In particular he took the opportunity to liaise with the members of other clubs. Next year's conference will be in Brighton on the weekend of 13/15 July. BM mentioned that it is the Committee which will decide on delegates, but that any member is welcome to attend and would be encouraged to do so.

#### 5) Election of Officers

Nomination were received for posts as follows :

<u>Position</u>	<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Second</u>
Chairman	Phil Riches	GM	JL
Secretary	Brad Rawlings	GM	JS
Treasurer	Gill Reeve	BR	GM
ALO	Graeme Mount	BR	PR
Membership	Brad Rawlings	PR	JR
Bulletin	Brad Rawlings	GM	JS
Publicity	Phil Riches	BR	JR
Website	Phil Riches	GM	JS
General	Judith Scott	BM	HM
	Jenny Lowless	HM	BM

A block vote was proposed and the above were accepted unanimously.

HM proposed a vote of thanks to the committee for their work for the club in the last year.

6) Discussion of Future Activities of the Club

PR said that he was hoping to advertise more events next year, focused on different decades, through his involvement with the SoundCure charity in Ipswich. HM said that she was hoping to do an event at the Fitzwilliam in Cambridge in November and also a carol concert in Bury. BR said he was planning on doing more days rowing in Dedham and also had been speaking to Val in Cambridge regarding a repeat in the spring of last year's highly successful the pitch and putt day. GM said that he planned to continue putting on his dances and JL/JS planned to continue with their programme of club nights.

7) AOB

The next Committee Meeting was agreed to be on Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, in Hadleigh; PR to establish a new venue.

The meeting was closed at 21:00