

Minutes of Annual Meeting of the Trustees of The Finbow Ambrose Trust held on 13th November 2024

Present: Councillors (Trustees) present, Cllrs Halliday, Williamott, Gittins, Welch, Vosper, and Craig (co-opted earlier)

CR Turner-Secretary/Treasurer

1. Minutes of previous meeting held on 8th November 2023 approved
2. Matters Arising - None
3. Accounts agreed for the year to 31st March 2024. All in favour
4. Annual report accepted - All in favour
5. No changes to policy of fund - All in favour.
6. Request received for funds of £1902.91 to cover the lease payment for The Sports Club. (This an acceptable request as confirmed by Charities Commission in 2014 (email on file). The income accumulated in the last financial year was in excess of that figure, it amounted to £2824.11. The Sports Club have written to the Trustees requesting further funds from the Trust to help cover costs for repairs etc. They would also like to make a donation towards the cost of the grass cutting, which the Parish Council pay for, of £500. If all the income was distributed this would leave them with an extra £400. This was accepted by the Trustees after discussion.

A further discussion took place as to “the responsibility” of the Council for the grass cutting. They have always done this, in living memory, but the Parish Council are finding it difficult and may be looking at reducing their costs. This would leave the Sports Club having to pay this cost which could prove difficult. Mr. Turner did say that this could mean a loss of a village amenity which would be missed. Comment made by the Trustees that the signs stating to ‘keep to the path’ meant in effect no one from the village is allowed to use the field, just to kick a ball about, for example, and the Trustees felt that this was unhelpful in determining and justifying the Council expenditure. They also felt that another representative of the Sports Club, as well as the Treasurer, should be present at future meetings.

CR Turner- Administrator of Trust/Sports Club Treasurer

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