

## **SHEET ASSOCIATION AND COMMUNITY TRUST AGM** **17th June 2016**

Attendance: 7 including 5 committee members.

### **1. MINUTES OF THE AGM HELD ON 11<sup>th</sup> June 2015**

Andy Platt ran through the minutes from the previous AGM which were held to be a fair account.

Proposed: Vaughan Clarke

Seconded: Scott Gibbon

### **2. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

This year your SA committee met 3 times with an average attendance of 8 and the trustees met in full once, to further the objectives of the SA and CT. The main purpose of the meetings is to assemble the organisers of the community activities in the village and to coordinate all our efforts, whilst sharing ideas and helping with grants, where possible.

The Sheet Film Club has been running strongly and growing, with its own committee and membership, as you will hear. The highly successful and well-attended Sheet Film and Arts festival is now an established annual event. This year the Duck Race was held as well, organised most efficiently by Lucy Mitchel and Suezi Siggers, including a record of lessons learned, to go forward to future events.

All of these activities have taken forward the actions from previous AGMs, which were to involve more young people and try to run joint functions with the School and the Church, spreading the organisational load and making better activities. This has worked well and will continue in the future.

The Parish Council has been very supportive this year to community projects, through grants and by taking our parish questionnaire findings forward in their planning and discussions.

Our website [sheetvillage.net](http://sheetvillage.net), has become a very effective tool in promoting and advertising the many activities. It is greatly enhanced by the email bulletin, which Lesley Hall sends to our list of people who have given us their email address to receive advanced notice of news and new postings on the web site. You will be able to join this circle if you complete a form at this meeting.

### **Community Trust Matters**

There have been several meetings of your 5 trustees for the Sheet Community Trust during the year. As yet no village assets have been transferred to the trust, but it remains a facility to safeguard the village assets, in the hands of the village against their being lost to the village through any council governance changes in the future.

A donation of £250 was made to Sheet school towards their statue project.

To remind you, all members of Sheet Parish are eligible to be members of the Trust, their initial subscriptions have been covered by the SVA funds which created the Trust; all that needs to be done to become a member, is to register and there are benefits both for the community and the individual by doing so. In spite of membership drives, few have done so.

The Membership Secretary is Sue MacBean,

### **3. TREASURER'S REPORT**

The net current assets of the SVCT are £2620. The accounts will be attached to the minutes and are available to view today. The main regular expenditure is the printing of Sheet News. Grants have been received from Sheet Parish Council, East Hants District Council and Hampshire County Council this year.

Proposed: Scott Gibbon

Seconded: Suezi Siggers

### **4. SHEET NEWS EDITOR'S REPORT**

Cllr Vaughan Clarke explained that the Sheet News has been in existence for 23 years. It is funded half by adverts and half by grants and 2000 copies are printed.

### **5. WEB SITE AND COMMUNICATIONS**

The new SA website sheetvillage.net is a great asset to the Association. It was created by Lesley Hall and she has been maintaining it for 2 years now. It only costs us £ 22 a year and she has made it into a very effective tool in promoting and advertising the many activities in the parish. It is the ideal compliment to the much-loved Sheet News, as it is continuously updated. Also, as a legacy of the Parish Plan and Neighbourhood Plan working groups and the need to keep those who have registered their Trust membership informed about Sheet matters, she sends out advance notification of information and updates going onto the website. This is a major contribution to community activity in the parish.

The 2013 parish questionnaire revealed that information was principally circulated by word of mouth at the time (66% ) and Sheet News at 6 monthly intervals 59% .Less than 5% used the old website. Three years on there is much more going on in the parish, the broadband and mobile facilities have improved and more people are being pushed towards

online tax, banking, shopping etc. We are well placed to circulate timely information now and I hope the website is being appreciated.

I would expect everyone here to be on the advanced notification email list. We have put leaflets in Sheet news and through doors to advertise this facility and it stands at ? people. If you would like to be on the list please come to me before you leave this evening.

## **6. SHEET FILM CLUB**

The Film Club has enjoyed another very successful season, with 43 people becoming members. The support we receive from members is vital in ensuring the viability of the club. There has also been a steady increase in the number of non members paying on the door, with several of these expressing their intention to become full members next season.

10 films were shown as part of the monthly programme. In addition there was a matinee to test the demand for afternoon screenings and a children's film before Christmas. Attendance at both of these special screenings was low.

The Film Club has funded additional technical equipment this year and a cupboard to secure it all. It also funded the prizes for the film making competition at the Sheet Arts and Music Festival again this year.

The film nights continue to be cheerful, sociable events and the same format has been maintained - a general greeting and notices, followed by a detailed introduction to the film before the screening. Food is available to order on arrival and is delivered from the Queen's Head for the interval. The club bar is well supported too.

The success of our film club was recognised in the 2015 'Cinema for all' Film Society of the year awards when we were given a commendation in the category of 'Best New Society'.

The film club is financially self sustaining and we look forward to another successful season. The Annual General Meeting of members will take place on Friday 17 June 2016 at the Queen's Head, to be followed by a barbecue for members and their guests.

Jayne Flatt

## **7. ROAD SAFETY**

Scott Gibbon presented on Road Safety and the ever increasing traffic in the village. Of particular concern were Signage, Town Lane pavements (or lack of!) and the area by the church.

It was concluded that the Association should pen a letter to the Parish Council with the following requests:

- That land at Churchfields be made over to the Trust (and all other developers land) in order that it can be protected for the village.
- That a case be made for a project to receive money from developers' contributions as these currently go to SDNP.

The village school has recently sent out questionnaires to parents which they hope to present to the Parish Council in September. It was suggested that a two pronged approach may be beneficial to both.

## **8. IDEAS FOR INVOLVING MORE YOUNG PEOPLE**

## **9. SHEET SCHOOL AND THE CHURCH**

## **10. FUTURE EVENTS**

A discussion was held covering points 8,9 and 10 and concluded that the Association should formalise liaison with the school, perhaps by inviting Lucy Mitchell (or the current chair of FOSS) to join the committee.

Vaughan Clarke further suggested that we invite Lanzante to future events to cement a working relationship and interest in the village.

## **11. ELECTION OF THE SHEET ASSOCIATION WORKING COMMITTEE FOR 2016/2017**

I have already mentioned the function of your 'committee'. This year there have been no major projects in support of the Parish Council and committee activity has been light. The parish council is very active and it is achieving a great deal, the film Club is self-sustaining, the Film and Arts Festival and the Duck Race would run themselves without a SA committee to back them up. I think it is time to review the role of the SA and to possibly make changes to the structure and function of the 'committee' system of doing the SA business; we are in a different environment now that the village or parish is blossoming, but our committee system is the one which saw us through the Local Governance Review and the formation of the now, fully functioning and highly successful, Sheet Parish Council. This needs careful thought. It should be the task of your committee and I would welcome your views. I have therefore asked the existing committee to stand for re-election.

Chairman:	Andrew Platt (Trustee)
Treasurer:	John Trewby (Trustee)
Secretary:	Suezi Siggers
Members:	
Social Events:	Brian Bird
Film Club:	Jayne Flatt
Editor Sheet News:	Cllr Vaughan Clarke (Trustee)

Road Safety:	Scott Gibbons ( Trustee)
Planning:	Simon Lawrence
Press Liaison:	Lucy Pringle
Web Site	Lesley Hall , Will Glancy, Owen Jonathan (Trustee)
SVA Community Trust	Sue MacBean
Ex Officio	Rev Richard Saunders

Proposed: Vvette Gibbons  
Seconded: Vaughan Clarke

## **12. ELECTION OF TRUSTEES BY THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY TRUST**

There are currently 5 Trustees; Andrew Platt, John Trewby, Vaughan Clarke, Scot Gibbons and Owen Jonathon.

Every year 2 of the longest serving Trustees have to retire from office. They can offer themselves for re-election, in competition with any newly proposed members of the Trust. This year Andrew Platt and John Trewby are standing down and offer themselves for re-election. They can offer themselves for re-election, in competition with any newly proposed members of the Trust. This year Scot Gibbons and Vaughan Clarke stepped down and offered themselves for re-election, which was approved.

Proposed: Scott Gibbons  
Seconded: Lesley Hall

## **13. AOB**

There was no other business and the meeting was concluded.