Minutes of ORAC meeting Thursday August 2nd 2018 @19:30

Present: Dave Cox (Chair), Jill Crouch (Vice Chair), Allison Goldsmith (Treasurer), Alison Davenport Jones (Secretary), Sandra Cox, Nigel Woodhouse, Anne Stainsby, Terry Pointer

Apologies: Neil Sizer

DC opened the meeting at 19:31

1. Agreement of previous minutes

Agreed and signed

2. Matters arising: item 5 from previous minutes

It was agreed that Terry Pointer and Jill Crouch will have the passwords for the Occold website. DC will continue to update and maintain files and posts. TP will post and maintain the Oracle section of the website.

3. Treasurer's report

A copy of the report is on file.

Deposits for hall hire will be required in cheque form: this negates the necessity to reimburse.

Hire income has increased but there are some outstanding monies. New terms and conditions mean a booking is only confirmed when the payment is made. (PC and GE).

Balance is £23,177.38.

4. Car park repairs – date for August

Plant is organised for 7/8 August, paperwork is in place. PG will assist TP. DC will put a notice on FB and inform the residents who regularly park in the car park.

5. Summer fete / fun day update

JC has secured several good raffle prizes. Kerry and Alison (Friends of Occold School) are organising the bulk of stalls. NW to get rolls and buns for hotdogs and burgers from Morrisons. Advertising on Park Radio, Radio Suffolk, laminated flyers, doctor's surgery in Eye. Next meeting 16th August in the pub at 7pm.

6. Events: Bingo & 60's/70's night

Due to August holidays and other events, bingo tea and cake is booked for Tuesday September 4th 2pm – 4pm, £2 entry including tea and cakes, £1 for 5 games

Music night booked for 20th October, 19:30. Optional dress-up. No food, snacks for sale, cheap bar. Playlist music. £4 entrance, over 18's only. Advertising to start beginning of September and flyer with details published in Oracle 17/9

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7. Change of status to CIO update

Stephen Hubner to be invited to a separate meeting in due course as some members are concerned about the viability of changing status.

8. Hall cleaning

AS outlined the problems with hygiene (toilets) and damage to the hall that is caused by hirers. AS and SC have been cleaning for over a year without charge but this can't continue as the hall is in constant use. DC will speak to the Primary school about the cleaning. A letter will be sent to Preschool, the primary school and youth club asking for their increased co-operation regarding cleaning and care for the premises. ORAC will reluctantly have to pass on cleaning costs through increased hire rates if it becomes necessary to employ cleaners.

9. AOB

AG to contact DN to raise invoice for bowls club storage.

Next meeting Thursday 6th September @1930

DC closed the meeting at 21:28