

HESSETT MILLENNIUM COMMITTEE
2011 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Held on Monday 21st February at 8.00 p.m. at Hessem Village Hall
Minutes

Present:

Kelly Ashford, Chris Glass, Michael Poulter, Sheila Cocksedge, Richard Brown, Tony Edwards, Nicky Glass, Alison Jones, Sue Last, Brian Last, Less Ward, Anne Ward, Linda Dixey, David Dixey, Carole Poulter.

Apologies for absence:

Martin Gibson, Graham Harris, Sarah Ashford.

Minutes of last A.G.M.

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 22nd February 2010 were made available to all present. They were approved as a true record by all those present and adopted.

Matters arising from minutes:

There were no matters arising.

Chairman's report:

Kelly Ashford gave the following report.

As my first year as chairman I think it's been quite a successful one with the committee running three events.

Firstly I would like to thank Les and Anne for their organisation of "The Folk by Candlelight" evening featuring "Pluck & Squeeze". A good time was had by all and because of that there will be another instalment in March.

Secondly our collaboration with "Friends of Hessem Church" and the two day event of the "Flower Festival" and the "Dixie Jazz Bandits" on the Saturday evening. Unfortunately the fete on both days was poorly attended but that was boosted by the jazz night which was a sell out and actually turned out to be a good fund raiser for both parties.

Thirdly and the piece de resistance was the bonfire and firework display which after the previous year of wet weather (everyone had everything crossed) worked well giving us the biggest attendance since it began.

Our extreme thanks have to go to Graeme Harris and his team for again putting on a display which had people coming up to me afterwards with terms such as **wow, amazing** and **incredible**.

Also Brian Mitcham - if it wasn't for his permission to use his land for this event then there would be no event.

Lastly I would like to thank the committee for their hard work during the year because these events do not organise themselves it's through their commitment that the villagers of Hessem can enjoy these social events.

I would like also to say a big thank you to Sheila Cocksedge who is resigning as Treasurer after doing a fantastic job. We will miss her freezer considerably.

Treasurers report:

Sheila distributed the following accounts.

Balance for 2011 £1,504.60

Money in

Folk Night £78.00
Quiz Night £210.00
Band Night £380.00
Jazz Night £745.20
Firework Night £2361.54
Firework Night £13.00

Money out

Dixie Band £380.00
Mr. G. Harris £300.00
Fireworks £1750.00
Mrs. S. Ashford £107.42
Mr. M. Poulter £35.98
Gifts £50.00
Red Cross £70.50
Mr. Gibson £65.00
Suffolk Acre £25.00
Suffolk Acre £139.00
Suffolk Acre £126.00

Balance for 2011

Bank balance £2,243.44
Cash £350.31
Total £2,593.75

Adoption of the accounts was proposed by C Glass and seconded by K Ashford.
Meeting unanimously agreed them.

Appointment of Chairman:

Mr. Kelly Ashford agreed to re-stand. There were no other nominations.
Mr. Ashford was proposed by Chris Glass and seconded by Sue Last.
Meeting unanimously agreed this.

Election of Officers:

Mr. Chris Glass stated that he did not wish to act as Vice Chairman and proposed Tony Edwards for the post; this was seconded by Kelly Ashford.
There was no other nominee. Meeting unanimously agreed this.
Sheila Cocksedge did not want to continue as Treasurer. Mrs. Linda Dixey was proposed by Sue Last and seconded by Michael Poulter.
There was no other nominee. Meeting unanimously agreed this.
Michael Poulter wished to re-stand as Secretary. He was proposed by Chris Glass and seconded by Tony Edwards.
There was no other nominee. Meeting unanimously agreed this.

Election of the Committee:

Kelly Ashford said that his wife Sarah Ashford did not wish to re-stand as she had problems attending with her husband due to child care issues. He said that she would be willing to assist at any time.
Graeme Harris had emailed the secretary stating that he did not wish to re-stand.
Brian Last and Les Ward said that they also did not wish to be on the committee but would help whenever they can.

The remainder of the existing committee wished to re-stand. All were proposed by Michael Poulter and seconded by Kelly Ashford. There were no other nominees. Meeting unanimously agreed this.

The Committee for 2011-2012 are:

Chairman	Kelly Ashford		
Vice Chairman	Tony Edwards		
Treasurer	Linda Dixey		
Secretary	Michael Poulter		
Committee:			
	Sheila Cocksedge	Martin Gibson	Chris Glass
	Alison Jones	Sue Last	Debbie Stringer
	Richard Brown	Nicky Glass	
Helpers:	Brian Last	Les Ward	Sarah Ashford

Any other business:

The secretary read an email from Graeme Harris.

Since the display on November 5th 2010 I have taken some time and considered my role for doing the Hessett fireworks and I have come to the conclusion that 2010 was to be my final year of doing the display. I have really enjoyed doing these displays over the years but it is time for me to move on. At this point I would also like to step down as a member from the Hessett Millennium committee. I wish you success with the 2011 beer festival and any other events beyond.

It was agreed to discuss this further at the next committee meeting.

Date of the next A.G.M.

This was set for Monday 20th February 2012 at 8 p.m. in Hessett Village Hall.

These are a true record of the 2011 A.G.M. Minutes

Proposed	Seconded	Vote
Signed by Chairman	Date	