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Draft minutes are subject to approval at the next Trustees of Grenoside Exhibition Account Charity meeting

Draft Minutes of the Trustees of Grenoside Exhibition Account Charity held on Thursday 9 November 2023 at 7.00 pm at Ecclesfield Parish Council Offices

The formal meeting commenced: 6.30 pm - concluded: 7.15 pm.

Trustees/Councillors Present. Victoria Bowden [Chairman], Dr John Bowden, Denise Fearnley, Kate Guest, Alan Hooper, John Housley, Adam Hurst, Mike Levery, Thomas Sturgess and Alan Woodcock.

Trustees/ Councillors Absent. Andy Bainbridge, Anthea Brownrigg, Susan Davidson, Michael Morrissey and Rob Reiss.

Officers Present. Andrew Towlerton – Parish Clerk/RFO and Laura Tickle – Administration and Financial Officer.

Members of the Public. None.

Chairman's Opening Remarks. Councillor Victoria Bowden (Vice-Chairman) explained she would be chairing the meeting, in the absence of the Trust's Chairman, Councillor Susan Davidson. She then outlined the procedures to ensure that it was safe, effective and lawful.

Item 2023/12: Apologies and Reasons for Absence

It was explained that one had been received from Councillor Susan Davidson.

This was noted.

<u>Item 2023/13: Declarations of Interest</u>

The Parish Clerk stated that he had not received any.

<u>Item 2023/14: Public Participation Session</u>

There were no questions raised.

Item 2023/15: Minutes

The minutes and associated actions of the meeting of 14 September 2023 were considered.

Proposed by Councillor Thomas Sturgess and seconded by Councillor Alan Woodcock and **RESOLVED**: That the minutes of the meeting held on 14 September 2023 be approved.

(10 in favour)

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Councillor Kate Guest suggested that absent trustees should formally be recorded in the minutes and the Public Participation Session item should be moved to before the formal commencement of the meeting similar to Ecclesfield Parish Council agendas and minutes. This was agreed.

Item 2023/16: Lump Lane and next steps

This agenda item was deferred.

Proposed by Councillor Alan Hooper and seconded by Councillor Mike Levery and **RESOLVED:** That this agenda item be deferred to the next Trustees of Grenoside Exhibition Account Charity meeting.

(10 in favour)

Item 2023/17: Financial Issues

- a) To confirm the cashbook/accounts for the period April 2023 to end of September 2023
- b) To consider amendments to the authorised signatories to the Bank Mandate

The Council's Administrative Officer provided a verbal and written report on the financial position of the Trust for the period April 2023 to the end of 30 September 2023. It was reported that the Trust held £27,023.01. This comprised £24,683.01 in its two savings accounts (£17,203.57 in its M&G Savings Account and £7,479.44 in its Black Rock account) as well as 2,340.00 in its current account. Total income since April 2023 was £776.41, with no expenditure.

The Administration Officer informed the Trustees that the current signatories for the Grenoside Exhibition Accounts are Councillors John Housley and Alan Hooper as well as former Councillor Carol Levery.

Proposed by Councillor Alan Hooper and seconded by Councillor Mike Levery and RESOLVED: That

- (a) The cashbook/accounts and investments for the period April 2023 to 30 September 2023 be approved.
- (b) Former Trustee and Ecclesfield Parish Councillor Carol Levery be removed as an authorised signatory on the Trust's Bank Mandate.

(10 in favour)

Item 2023/18: To consider progress with the Trust becoming independent from the Parish Council

This was discussed.

Councillor Alan Hooper explained that good progress was being made including in establishing the new body and associated governance structures, including in finding suitable replacement trustees. The aim was that the new trustees and associated governance structures would be in place for early 2024.

(10 in favour)

<u>Item 2023/19: To receive a report from the Advisory Committee</u>

Councillor Alan Hooper reported that no meetings of the Advisory Committee had taken place since the last meeting of the Charity.

(10 in favour)

Item 2023/20: Date and time of future meetings

It was agreed that the next meeting should take place at 6.30 p.m. on Thursday 14 December 2023 at the Council Offices.

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