

# Suffolk IVC Committee Meeting

## MINUTES

Meeting Date – Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 18:00

Venue – The Ember Inn, Moreton Hall, Bury St Edmunds

### Those attending

Jenny Lowless	JL	Bill Mackintosh	BM
Brad Rawlings	BR	Phil Riches	PR

The meeting was opened at 18:35

JL agreed to take the chair in the absence of SH

1) Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Shirley Horne (SH) and Judith Scott.

2) Adoption of Minutes

Minutes of the April 11<sup>th</sup> meeting were adopted.

3) Matters Arising

JL said that it was now unlikely that she would be able to host a BBQ at her home, however it was suggested that an outdoor public location may be found. It was felt that Thetford was too far north and PR agreed to look for a more central location maybe around Hadleigh.

4) Officer's Reports

Website -- PR had added a function to report failed e-mails sent from the clubs e-mail address. It was agreed that he should add Club Night dates to the non-members section of the website. PR said that he would prepare specific cost estimates for Google Ads and respond to the committee.

Membership -- BR said that one lady had gone back to Scotland and that there were now 34 members. There had been several calls interested in Suffolk IVC in the last three months and it was felt that this was encouraging and better than in the past; 4 of these are now prospectives and 1 has already joined.

Treasurer -- BM distributed the latest report showing that the financial position at £890 was already £130 better than this time last year without the levy refund. BM said that he would provide a forecast of income and expenditure for the next meeting but would need to ascertain some costs and expenses related to the aIVC Conference. BR had been unable to book at a local B&B and agreed to advise his accommodation cost shortly.

5) aIVC Conference

It was confirmed that BR and SH would be the SIVC delegates to the conference as noted in the minutes of the March 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. BR said that he had returned his application form, which JL hadn't seen, and BR said that he would send it out to the rest of the membership; he agreed to send out the recent aIVC Newslines at the same time as it wasn't known if the ALO (SH) was available to do this. At this time there was little information on the other events available over the weekend.

6) Events

Various events were offered by the committee for inclusion in the programme of events over the next couple of months as follows :

JL -- suggested an afternoon event on August 15<sup>th</sup> before the committee meeting.

BM -- offered a garden games day on Sunday July 17 at his home.

BR -- Red Cross Open Gardens in Pebmarsh in last month's minutes will be replaced by open Gardens in Coggeshall on June 5<sup>th</sup> and rowing in Dedham on the same day (an Essex event) will now be on the 12<sup>th</sup>. BR's proposed rowing event in Dedham was now postponed until July 30<sup>th</sup>.

{memo from the April meeting :

SH -- Ickworth House for open air Shakespeare and Last Night of the Proms + Indian festival in Ipswich.

PR -- Music in the Park in Ipswich.}

7) AOB

SH had advised that she would not be able to make it to the next Committee meeting on June 13<sup>th</sup> and this was rescheduled to Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>. The timing of Committee Meetings was discussed and it was agreed to put the start time back further to 6:30 with Club Night following at 7:30. Other dates and destinations were confirmed and taken up to the AGM in October as set out below.

The meeting was closed at 19:45

Future Committee Meetings are as follows :-

	Thursday, June 16 <sup>th</sup>	The Corn Exchange
	Monday, July 11 <sup>th</sup>	The Six Bells, Horringer
	Monday, August 15 <sup>th</sup>	The Six Bells, Horringer
	Monday, September 19 <sup>th</sup>	The Corn Exchange
AGM	Monday, October 17 <sup>th</sup>	The Corn Exchange