

Suffolk IVC Committee Meeting

MINUTES

Meeting Date – Thursday, September 7th, 2021 at 7:30pm

Venue – The Hare and Hounds, East Bergholt

Those attending

Jennifer Lowless	JL	Graeme Mount	GM
Brad Rawlings	BR	Gill Reeve	GR
Phil Riches	PR	Judith Scott	JS

The meeting was opened at 7:35

- 1) Apologies for absence
There were no apologies for absence.
- 2) Adoption of Minutes
The minutes of the August 12th meeting were adopted.
- 3) Matters Arising
There were no matters arising not included elsewhere in these minutes.
- 4) Officer's Reports
Treasurer -- GR said that there had been no movement on the account which still stood at £1,252.

Membership -- BR advised that numbers are steady at 28. The two new prospectives (Tim Woods and Debra Cockrill) are both due to become full members next month. Helen Chester had asked to join but has not yet returned her form; BR to chase. Frankie Killby, who lapsed last year, has asked to re-join and has been sent a form.

It was generally felt that chasing old enquirers may be in breach of GDPR and the idea was therefore dropped.

Systems -- PR said that he still planned to examine Google statistics of web advertisers to find a format for our own renewed advertisement.

ALO -- GM advised that Essex IVC had published their first post-Covid bulletin. Pete Howe of Birmingham IVC was sending a report to aIVC of his views of the 'way forward'; GM said that it will be sent out with the aIVC news next Sunday and asked that the committee read it and offer our thoughts on the report together with our own views. He also pointed out that the Agoria system operated by Bob Clifford to run the aIVC website was very nearly a one-man-band; PR noted that he had suggested the use of the near universal WordPress but had not been contacted for further involvement.

5) AGM

It was felt that a Zoom meeting would be best for attracting most members, this to be hosted by PR. BR advised that the requirements of our constitution for an AGM was three weeks either side of the end of October; the date was settled as Thursday, October 28th at 7:30pm. BR to send out an e-mail to all members and prospectives together with a form for people to complete if they wish to stand for a role on the committee. A proposed agenda, in the same format as last year, also to be sent together with a copy of the 2020 AGM minutes. Officer's reports to be forwarded to BR by October 21st for onward transmission to the membership, together with the final version of the agenda which will include any changes or motions received.

6) Events

GL had already posted an evening at the Hare and Hounds in this month's bulletin; JL and JS were looking into resurrecting their monthly club night with a focus on Bury (possibly The Corn Exchange), Lavenham and Sudbury. GR had been looking at places for a Christmas party but all had said that they had no plans at the moment. A repeat of the July evening at The Ipswich Sports Club was suggested; PR to investigate menu options, prices and local hotel venues.

7) Next Committee Meetings

Tuesday, October 12 at 4pm was suggested as a possible Zoom meeting prior to the AGM if required.

8) AoB

There was no other business to discuss.

The meeting was closed at 8:40