

**Minutes of the Zoom Council Meeting
Held on Thursday January 26th 2023**

Present: Kevin Thompson – Chair
Ian Robinson, Bob Mallett, John Gauld, Rod Goodier,
Jo Lancaster, Stewart Price & Brian Hogan.

1. New Member Evening:

The event was well received by all new members and expectations were met. Council members discussed ways to integrate new members. It was agreed Huddle meetings start at 6pm with Project Leaders introducing their projects followed by break out groups. At 7pm dinner will be served followed by the normal meeting.

The first meeting will be held on February 6th.

It was suggested we produce a strategic plan for the year – secretary will put a draft together.

2. Project Groups:

The following project groups were discussed and agreed upon:

Membership Services – P.L. Stew incorporating:

Marketing / PR / Website / Fb – John G

Recruitment

Welfare – Doug

Entertainment / Social / Speakers – John K & John R

Youth Services – P.L. Eric

Foundation / International – P.L. Ian

Community – P.L. Eddie Roberts incorporating:

Bonfire – Eddie Rob

Swimathon – Sandra / Rachel

Appeals – Rod

Finance – P.L. Bob

Environment – P.L. David Brew

3. Appeals:

Congleton Youth Orchestra have asked if we will continue to sponsor the Spring Concert with £1,000. Agreed by all. Rod to introduce John G to CYO's Helen / Andrew.

Astbury School PTA have requested £3,980 to purchase computers. Ian will make inquires and report back before the next Huddle meeting on Feb 6th so Council can decide.

4. Sergeant at Arms Role:

The traditional role of the S@A is now old, outdated and not in keeping with modern day practices. Rod will speak to Denis about the role and how it can be renamed and brought into the 21st century ideology.

5. Treasurers Report:

Bob had secured a new debit card for the club. Reconciliation of last years figures nearly complete apart from a £160 uncashed Swimathon cheque which all agreed to write off. Amazon Smile is closing so we should receive a final balance in due course. Bob has been passed several letters by the Worth family from Barclays Bank about closing accounts. Bob will contact the bank to close the accounts and report back.

Rod Goodier

Secretary

27th January 2023