

ALDRIDGE SHED

These are the minutes of the Aldridge Shed first AGM, held on Friday 16th June 2017.

Apologies - Mira Nikacevic and Trevor Beckett.

Ivor, as current Chairman of Aldridge Shed, welcomed everyone to the meeting and then followed on with a presentation of the Shed showing what we had achieved over the previous first 12 months.

John Morris followed Ivors presentation, and bad jokes, explaining the reasons for setting up the Shed and reinforcing Ivors comments that one of the main reasons is to combat social isolation in the area. it is agreed that we should go forward with commissions to bring in money and publicity, share skills and make new friends.

Ivor restated that we need to spread the word about the shed as social isolation and loneliness shortens lives.

During the AGM true case histories were mentioned and one member in particular has made fantastic progress in all areas since joining the Shed and it's wonderful to see and be a part of.

Sean Carey stated that in the 30 years of being a fireman, the Shed was the best thing he had been involved with and in.

Joanne Phillips praised the committee of the Shed for their commitment and pointed out just how far we had come in 12 months. she told us how the Shed movement has increased with 390 in the UK so far with new ones opening every week. Emotional wellbeing in members has increased dramatically with 97% of members saying they had made new friends and help them feel both useful and needed in society.

As of 31st May the Bank Balance stood at £5,745.54p

Total income for the year £9,845.54p minus expenditures

Received during the meeting £500.00 donation from Aldridge Rotary Club

All committee members stood down but agreed to put themselves up for re-election.

there was no opposition for the places and David Homfrey proposed that we all continued in our positions, this was seconded by Sean Carey and the committee were voted back in.

Chair - Ivor Anderson, Deputy Chair - Alan Grice, Treasurer - Mark Perry,

Secretary- Gail Deeley, Deputy Secretary & Membership Secretary - Ian Davis

other committee members - David Homfrey, Elaine Chick, Pauline Stephens and Derek Fern.

Suggestions from the Floor.

1) Everyone should make something to put on the foyer table for sale.

2) Everyone to clean up after themselves when finished for the day

The Auditorium at Aldridge Youth Theatre was hired for the meeting at a cost of £50

The turnout was disappointing despite all the publicity and emails from the shed and John Morris

Ivor gave a big thank you to the ladies serving tea and coffee and for producing the very delicious buffet food.