

## **BOURNE FREEMASONS CLUB – MINUTES**

A meeting of Bourne Freemasons Club was held at the Masonic Centre, Roman Bank, Bourne on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2022. The meeting opened at 7.35 pm.

### **PRESENT:**

Graham Allen, Peter Flint, Mike Dench, Ian Greenfield, Michael Haynes, Ian Bratley, Ian Delaine Smith and Stewart Rodgers.

### **APOLOGIES:**

Apologies had been received from Michael Perkins, Ray Brooks

**MINUTES:** Being the first meeting since restrictions were lifted there were no minutes of the last meeting

**WELCOME:** I Bratley welcomed everyone especially the new members to the committee and went on to explain how the club worked, our responsibilities to the Trustees and what our expectations should be to keep the premises in sound order for Masonic Business in the future. This being the first meeting of the new committee and there being a long period since being able to meet, it took the form of discussion to establish the future priorities we should adopt and confirmation of the measures already taken.

### **MATTERS ARISING:**

There were no matters arising from the previous meeting however the offices of the club, Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Safety Officer were confirmed and agreed by the committee.

Chair: Ian Bratley

Vice Chair: Ian Greenfield

Secretary: Nigel Lindley

Treasurer: Pending-TBA

Safety Officer: Peter Flint

In addition the Bar Management would remain in the capable hands of: Michael Haynes and Hirings Management is yet to be decided and rested temporarily with the Chair.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** There was no correspondence.

### **NEW MATTERS ARISING:**

The December 2021 Christmas Luncheon that had to be postponed was now cancelled and the Chair to email our Treasurer to draw cheques for those that paid previously. Members to decide on the next social event.

**Ventilation requirements:** It was agreed to research the benefits and costs of Air Purifiers for use in the Temple and Hall with a view to have in place before the next meeting.

**Premises Upkeep:** One of the Electric heaters in the Temple does not work and needs to be replaced, The cooler cabinet in the bar needs replacing. As above to be resolved before the next meeting.

**Key Holders:** With there being so many various key holders the committee decided the best way forward would be to change the lock to the front door and then issue and record keys to members as necessary.

Individual Lodge secretaries will be asked to liaise with their members to quantify accordingly, and main key holders contact details need to be registered with authorities – Fire/Police etc.

**Capitation Fees:** Due to the lack of information and after discussion, it was agreed to research this area more thoroughly and attempt to compile a record of past payments/agreements with constituent lodges and create a definitive payment structure going forward. In addition, to invite participation from members of those constituent lodges and orders to contribute, by invitation to our meetings or if possible to the current committee.

**Hiring Fees:** It was considered that Hiring fees generally were too low and although there were only 3 main groups that used the premises regularly, our utility costs this year will undoubtedly rise through inflation and have an impact on revenue. Once again a Fee structure needs to be formulated and implemented.

**Upkeep:** The quote received last October for the resurfacing the car park was given to Stewart Rodgers who will request a second alternative quote for comparison before the final decision made for the work to be done.

**Safety Officer:** It was agreed to create a draft to highlight the responsibilities of that position for Peter Flint.

**A.O.B.** There was no other business

The Meeting closed at 8.45pm.

**Signed**

**Date**

**THE NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD Tues 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022 7.00pm**