

Minutes of Brookvale Community Association AGM

Thursday 9th September 2021, 19.30

1. Welcome and apologies

Malcolm McInnes as Chair opened the meeting and welcomed all attending.

Attendees: Malcolm MacInnes, Cathy Williams, Ted Blackmore-Squires, Pam Mansfield, Arun Mummalaneni, Francesca Maritan, Pam Mansfield, Michael Howard-Sorrel, Cathy Mawer. Garry Bone from the Thornycroft Society, Steven Pashley, Eric Baker, Richard Bone, Brian James.

Apologies: Helen Camper

The following handouts were provided: agenda; report of the trustees for the year ended 30th April 2021 (Annual Report); the minutes of 2020 AGM.

2. Adoption of 2020 AGM minutes

Proposed by Cathy Williams, seconded by Ted Blackmore-Squires, the minutes were approved as an accurate record of the 2020 AGM.

3. Adoption of Annual Report of General Committee 2020/21

The Chair introduced the report, running thought the main points. Proposed by Cathy Williams, seconded by Malcolm MacInnes, the report was approved.

4. Adoption of Annual Statement of Accounts 2020/21

Cathy Williams (CW), Treasurer, introduced the statement of accounts. Although hall lettings were down owing to Covid-19, BCA had received grants of nearly £20k which replaced lettings income. Overall, the BCA is in a stable financial position.

In answer to a question on the significant increase in equipment spend, CW explained that BCA had continued with projects during lockdown such as the janitor's sink, installation of cycle racks and fencing for the children's play area.

A request was made that BCA consider purchasing an overhead projector to assist in various talks.

Proposed by Arun Mummalaneni, seconded by Ted Blackmore-Squires, the accounts were adopted unanimously.

5. Resignation of 2020/21 committee members

All current members resigned and put themselves up for re-election. Francesca Maritan, Nina Xu and Michael Howard-Sorrell were new nominees.

6. Election of members to serve on general committee

The committee was duly elected:

Proposed committee member	Proposed by	Seconded by
Malcolm MacInnes	Helen Camper	Cathy Williams
Cathy Mawer	Cathy Williams	Malcolm MacInnes
Ted Blackmore Squires	Cathy Mawer	Cathy Williams
Cathy Williams	Helen Camper	Malcolm MacInnes
Helen Camper	Cathy Mawer	Cathy Williams
Arun Mummalaneni	Malcolm MacInnes	Ted Blackmore-Squires
Andy Ball	Malcolm MacInnes	Ted Blackmore-Squires
Francesca Maritan	Cathy Williams	Ted Blackmore-Squires
Nina Xu	Malcolm MacInnes	Cathy Williams
Michael Howard-Sorrell	Malcolm MacInnes	Cathy Williams

7. Election of Honorary Officers

Malcolm McInnes was re-elected as chair; Cathy Williams was re-elected as treasurer; Cathy Mawer was re-elected as secretary, proposed and seconded as above.

8. Appointment of Independent Accounts Examiner – Derbyshire Accountants Ltd

CW reported that she had had no success in finding a cheaper accountant. She had asked the Orchard, who supports small groups, but they provided a quote of over £1,000, significantly more than the BCA paid this year. The BCA will continue with current accountants.

9. Date of next AGM

1st September 2022.

10. Date of next committee meeting

14th October 2021 – Trustees only.

AOB/notices

A member raised a question regarding EV charging points in Brookvale. MM said this had already been discussed in Committee. Arun Mummalaneni (AM) provided an update: Both County and Borough are working on this so it's important that their work complements each other. AM has asked for Brookvale to be considered for a pilot under a Community Toolkit programme. However, there are already 8-10 public charging points in the Brookvale area, including at Morrisons and Glebe Gardens which are under-used.

MM gave notice of the Councillors' coffee morning at 10am on 11th September and the Sustainability Day on 25th September.

Vote of thanks and close of meeting

The Chair thanked all present for attending and the meeting closed at 20.30.

There then followed a show of images of Thornycroft past from Gary Bone, Thornycroft Society, and a talk about the Thornycroft clock project by Ted Blackmore-Squires.