

**BULLINGDON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION : Trustee Meeting
: 10th June 2025.**

Attending : Trevor Kimber, Chris Perks, Frank Holliday, Terry Smith, Barbara Bryant, Richard Bryant, Tom Crook, Pat Kennedy, Councillor Judith Harley. Apologies : Mary Woolliams, Catherine Gundry.

(1)The minutes of the May meeting were read and approved.

(2)Matters Arising.

Review Meeting with City Council . This has now been confirmed for the 17th June between 11am – 12.30pm. The meeting will be held in the small meeting room, because all the other space is booked for that morning.

Complaint. Barbara has fed back to Toddler Group and will be reviewing our Complaints, Volunteer and Equal Opportunities policies. Notice Board being developed.

New Business Plan . A draft has been circulated. Could trustees provide Richard with feedback by the end of June. Tom volunteered to edit the final version.

HMO petition . Judith requested information about the petition. Richard will provide Judith with the contact details of the Lye Valley resident who is organizing the petition.

(3)Lets.

Otis has reported that the income from lets, during May, was; Regular lets - £1492.50, Parties - £334, Other one off lets - £96. Total £1922.50.

Jack Carter has stopped using the small meeting room and has transferred his fitness business to a local gym. Barbara circulated a note about marketing the small room and the charges which should be made. The proposals were agreed and Tom indicated that he could help with the production of publicity material. There was also a discussion about the need

to advertise more the availability of the MUGA for organized sports. Richard was asked to check out possible interest from local teams and sports organizations.

The Slade Camp history event held at Bullingdon was excellent and very well attended. The Friends of Lye Valley have booked the community centre for their AGM on the 5th August (7 – 8.45 pm).

(4)Treasurers Report

Trevor reported that the Income for May was £1665 and the expenditure was £2002.90, a deficit of £337.90. The accounts for 2024 - 25 are due to be sent to Martin and Fahy this week.

A monitoring report on the grant received from Oxford University has been completed and sent off. This grant was for tables and furniture for the small meeting room and the office. A monitoring report is currently being prepared for the Connected Communities Fund (County Council).This will include a 'wellbeing' survey. The grant was for the Community Lunch and the classes run by Abingdon College. We are still waiting on news about how the Healthwatch grant fund for Wood Farm and Town Furze will be delivered – timetable, application forms etc.

(5)Correspondence

We have been notified that we will have City Councillors nominated to attend the BCA meetings. Richard has informed the Council that neither of the current nominations have attended a meeting over the last two years.

(6)Health and Safety

A fire risk assessment of the community centre will be carried out on the 16th June. Otis and Barbara will attend on behalf of the BCA. We hope to clarify with the City Council how these visits are organized.

(7)Current Activities

The May Community Lunch went well. The next one is this Friday and, In the afternoon, there be a speaker talking about the history of Slade Camp. Next month (Friday, 11th July) there is an Emergency First Aid session in the morning and a speaker from the Oxford Preservation Trust in the afternoon. There will be no Community Lunch in August.

Despite the recent complaint the Toddler Group is still running.

Barbara circulated a report on the Repair Café, which has been running at Bullingdon for nearly ten years..

(8)Future Activities

Richard had circulated a proposal Mary had received about a possible Bullingdon fund raiser. After some discussion, it was agreed that we needed to look at this in more depth at our next Trustee meeting. Richard will thank the person who made the proposal for the suggestion.

The Oxford Federation of Community Centres (OFCA)have been invited to run stalls at the Older Peoples Day on the 1st October. This is a big event , which is held at the Town Hall. It was agreed that that the BCA should express an interest in being involved, along with other members of OFCA. We would need a team of volunteers, as it is an event which runs throughout the morning and afternoon.

Barbara is checking out whether volunteers are interested in the BCA running a Xmas Fayre.

(9)External Matters

The City Council are checking out whether community centres could provide space for textile banks. After a discussion it was

decided that this would not be appropriate for Bullingdon, because of our location and the proximity of existing banks in the local area (eg; Cinnaminta Rd, Fire Station) . We could offer to publicize the kerb side collection scheme which the Council runs.

AOB : No issues raised.

Date of Next Meeting : 8th July at 7.30pm. BB/RB : 11/6/2025.