THE FRANK MONTGOMERY PLAYING FIELD TRUST MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES HELD ON 28 JUNE 2023 AT 5.30PM IN WICKHAMBREAUX VILLAGE HALL, THE STREET, WICKHAMBREAUX

Present: Linda Lodge
Caroline Rees (C.Rees)
Paul Mills
Charles Rees (Ch. Rees)
Elizabeth Stewart
Robin Treacher
Mary Cruse (from 5.43pm)

Chenice Howard-Sparkes, Secretary

1. **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR 2023-2024**
R. Treacher nominated L. Lodge for the position of Chairman. P. Mills seconded that L. Lodge be elected for the year 2023-2024 and this was unanimously passed. There were no other nominations.

2. **ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR 2023-2024**
L. Lodge nominated C. Rees for the position of Vice-Chairman. E. Stewart seconded that C. Rees be elected for the year 2023-2024 and this was unanimously passed. There were no other nominations.

3. **ELECTION OF TREASURER FOR 2023-2024**
L. Lodge nominated C. Rees for the position of Treasurer. E. Stewart seconded that C. Rees be elected for the year 2023-2024 and this was unanimously passed. There were no other nominations.

4. **ELECTION OF SECRETARY FOR 2023-2024**
L. Lodge nominated C. Howard-Sparkes for the position of Secretary. C. Rees seconded that C. Howard-Sparkes be elected for the year 2023-2024 and this was unanimously passed. There were no other nominations.

5. **CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
L. Lodge welcomed everyone to the meeting. There were no apologies for absence.

6. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 09 NOVEMBER 2022**
The Minutes of the last meeting held on 09 November 2022 were accepted as a true record of the meeting.

7. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**
Item 4(7,9) – L. Lodge reported that the replacement plaque has now been fitted.
Item 6 – L. Lodge advised that 2025 will be 40 years since the Playing Field was opened. Given the Classic Car Show and 80th Anniversary of D-Day are planned for 2024, it was agreed it would be best to wait until 2025 to hold a celebration event to spread the community events.
Item 11(i) C. Rees advised that the location for the shed is now proposed for the back of the hall to the right-hand side, in a currently underutilised area. This would require an opening made in the current wall, levelling of the general area, and provision of a designated path and locked gate for access. The Village Hall Committee are investigating whether planning permission would be required.
Item 11(ii) – The all-inclusive roundabout was levelled by Playdale following KOMPAN's inspection report.

8. **CLASSIC CAR SHOW 2024**

C. Rees reported that Sunday 19 May 2024 has been earmarked as the date for the next Classic Car Show. C. Rees advised that the Sum-Up card machine can be used in conjunction with QR codes. The Show will be jointly run with the Church again, which rather than just St Andrew's in Wickhambreaux, will include St Mary's in Stodmarsh and St John the Evangelist in Ickham as all three churches are now one Parochial Group. All funds raised will be split 50/50.

C. Rees advised she has submitted an application to the Four Villages Post Office and Shop Fund for £500.00 towards the upkeep of the Classic Car Show website, trophies, printing, and production of a programme for fundraising.

It was agreed to reduce the number of cars from 100 to approximately 80 this year, and increase the number of trade stalls instead. It was further agreed to keep the prices the same as the last Show. A dedicated meeting for planning the Classic Car Show will be arranged in due course to finalise details.

9. **EVENTS 2023-2024**

C. Rees confirmed that an application has been received from the Primary School to use the field on 11th July 2023 for a sports day with a BBQ afterwards. It was unanimously agreed to authorise the event.

R. Treacher produced and circulated a draft hire agreement for the BBQ for consideration prior to the meeting. It was unanimously agreed to adopt the hire agreement, subject to minor amendments. It was agreed that hire costs should include gas, and therefore needs to fluctuate per event depending on the number of attendees expected. C. Rees agreed to amend the form.

10. **FINANCE**

The current bank balance is £4,743.73. C. Rees reported that she is in the process of completing and submitting KCC's Monitoring Form as part of the funding application agreement for the all-inclusive roundabout.

11. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

(i) L. Lodge reported that there was a recent incident of arson involving the bug hotel. C. Rees has spoken with the two young people involved in the presence of their parents, and both young people will split the costs of repairs to the bug hotel. Should a similar incident happen again, this will be reported to Kent Police. Fortunately, incidents of vandalism and arson are low in the Playing Field. The Committee wished to thank C. Rees for handling the matter sensitively.

(ii) P. Mills suggested that the Committee look to invest in some pop-up gazebos in advance of the Classic Car Show. It was noted that storage is limited so purchasing may not be the best option. It was agreed to look to get sponsors for the gazebos. P. Mills agreed to seek sponsorship and investigate purchasing options.

12. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Committee meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 27th September at 5.30pm, subject to the Village Hall being available.

The meeting closed at 7.00pm

Signed……..... (Chairman)

Date…….....