

EVENLEY RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING,
Held on MONDAY 15TH NOVEMBER, 2021, 18.30
At The Forge Café and Post Office, Evenley

Minutes – draft for approval at ERA AGM on
Monday 9th October, 2023, 6pm at Forge Café and Post Office, Evenley

Present:

David Connolly (Chair)

Josceline Hebblethwaite (Co vice-chair)

Jean Morgan (Co vice-chair)

Mike Baul (Treasurer)

Wendy Collins

Derek Haynes (ERA representative on EVH Management Committee)

Jeremy Hebblethwaite

Plus approximately 18 Evenley residents.

- 1 **Introduction and welcome** – David Connolly (Chair of ERA) welcomed everyone and explained that the ERA was set up in 2000 to promote and represent the interests of the residents of the parish of Evenley. This AGM would cover two years - 2020 and to November 2021.
- 2 **Apologies for absence** had been formally received from Barrie Morgan and Jeff Peyton-Bruhl.
- 3 **The Minutes of last AGM** (18th June 2019) were approved unanimously.
- 4 **Chairman's Report** including shape of ERA in future:
David reported that no AGM (or Fête, or other fundraising activities) had been held in 2020 due to the restrictions associated with the global pandemic.
Derek Haynes had replaced Chris Hart as the ERA representative on the Village Hall Management Committee. Thanks were recorded to Chris Hart for his contribution to EVHMC. The village picnic on August 28th 2021 had been organised in conjunction with Evenley Parish Council and the community: this had not been a fund raising activity, and costs had been split with EPC.
There was a proposal to combine the ERA with Evenley Matters for simplicity, and as the number of committee members appeared to be dwindling. All help and assistance with this work would be very welcome.
David concluded by explaining that as he and Heather were moving to Witney, he would not continue as Chairman. He was thanked for his many contributions to the life of the village, particularly his involvement with ERA and EM.
- 5 **Treasurer's Report** – Mike presented the accounts for 2019/20, and also included an update to November 2021. He spoke to a PowerPoint presentation: summary is available below (page 3). At the end of 2020, ERA accounts totalled £9619. There was no fête that year.
Currently, (ie at the end of November 2021, which is not the end of the financial year) funds totalling £9,453 are available. This is split between ERA (£6,553) and Evenley Matters reserve (£2,900).
In 2021, income was just £679.
Mike was asked about the split of finances between ERA and EM, and explained that there is one ERA bank account, and that since 2013 (when EM was set up) fund-raising proceeds have

been held in the EM reserve. The remaining balance had been raised by ERA via book sales, sponsored bike rides etc.

The ERA accounts to December 2020 were accepted unanimously.

6 Election of the Committee and officers

Wendy Collins and Jeremy Hebblethwaite were standing down, and David explained that he would soon be leaving the village too.

Liz Warrender expressed an interest in joining the committee and helping to review any new constitution, and the following were elected unanimously, to form part of the combined ERA/EM committee:

Josceline Hebblethwaite (Co vice-chair)

Jean Morgan (Co vice-chair)

Mike Baul (Treasurer)

Liz Warrender

Derek Haynes (ERA representative on EVH Management Committee)

7 Neighbourhood Watch Report – David reported that he is the village's Neighbourhood Watch (NW) contact. He receives regular updates from Northamptonshire Police and Northants NW, which he forwards to his email contact list. He would be grateful if someone else would take on this work. David was thanked for his work on NW whilst he has lived in the village.

8 Other reports – there were no other reports

9 Any Other Business – there was none

10 Date of next meeting – it was provisionally proposed to hold a meeting in April 2022, and volunteers were asked to join in and assist with the work on merging the two constitutions.

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Treasurer's Annual Report

	Nov 2021*	Dec 2020	Dec 2019	Dec 2018	Comment
Income	£ 679	£0	£ 6010	£ 6560	No fete in 2020
Investment Income		£12	£ 16	£ 13	
Expenditure	£ (846)	£(3538)	£ (5408)	£ (6657)	2020/21 donations made via Evenley Matters
Cash Increase	£ (166)	£(3526)	£ 618	£ (97)	
Cash at Year End	£9,453	£9,619	£ 13,145	£ 12,527	Split to End Nov 2021 ERA £ 6,553 EM £ 2,900

Simplified Accounts to year end Dec;

*Year to end Nov 2021, not full year end

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Present:

Nic Hamblin (Chair)
David Connolly (ERA chair)
Mike Baul (ERA Treasurer)
Jacky Alder (Fete organiser)
Kirsty Burnham (Fete organiser)
Angie Compton (local business representative)
Ian Inshaw (local resident representative)
Jean Morgan (Interim Secretary – non-voting)
Plus approximately 18 residents.

- 11 **Introduction and welcome** - Nic welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that EM is the funding arm of ERA, distributing funds raised at the annual fête and dog show.
- 12 **Apologies for absence** were received from Paul Bennett, as well as Bella Alder and Evie Burnham who are Young Evenley Resident representatives.
- 13 **Minutes of last AGM** (18th June 2019): approved unanimously.
- 14 **Chairman's Report**, including shape of ERA in future:
Nic reported that EM had continued to receive requests for funding, particularly from "U3A" for village lunches and other events for over 60's which were popular.
No AGM (or fête) was held in 2020 due to pandemic restrictions. The Village picnic in summer 2021 was organised in conjunction with EPC and community: EM had purchased a canvas marquee and made a contribution to music on the day.
Because of a dwindling number of active committee members, there was a proposal to re-join EM with its "parent" organisation, ERA.
- 15 **Treasurer's Report** (MB)
The EM accounts to Dec 2020 were accepted, together with the provisional accounts to Nov 2021 (see above item 5, ERA AGM minutes).
- 16 **Election of the Committee and Chair**
- Nic Hamblin (Chair)
 - David Connolly (ERA chair)
 - Mike Baul (ERA Treasurer)
 - Bella Alder (young person representative)
 - Jacky Alder (Fete organiser)
 - Evie Burnham (young person representative)
 - Kirsty Burnham (Fete organiser)
 - Angie Compton (local business representative)
 - Ian Inshaw (local resident representative)
 - Jean Morgan (Interim Secretary, non-voting)

- 17 **Any Other Business** – there was none
- 18 **Date of next meeting** - it was provisionally proposed to hold a meeting in April 2022, and volunteers were asked to join in and assist with the work on the constitutions, ie rejoining the two groups (parent organisation ERA and its subsidiary EM).

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