

## **Minutes of LUCS Management Committee Meeting held in the Tea Room at the Canal basin on Monday 10 October 2016**

**Present:** Duncan McIntyre, (Chairman), Douglas Robertson (Treasurer). Allan Melling, Vice Chairman, Pat McIntyre (Secretary), Barbara McKenzie, Lynne Nelson, Johnny Green and Gordon Hewit.

**1. Chairman's Introduction** – The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone along.

**2. Apologies** – There were no apologies.

**3. Adoption of Minutes from previous Meeting** – Minutes proposed by Gordon Hewit and seconded by Allan Melling.

**4. Correspondence received:** No correspondence received.

**5. External Meetings:** Duncan attended recent meeting of the LCVG. Concerns were raised re the Falkirk Wheel using one boat for foot passengers only sometime in 2018. LUCS sending a boat through to take part in a trial.

**6. St Magdalene Replacement:** There have been a few meetings with Kat Purser of the Leader Group. Gordon Hewit to send Douglas documentation re application. The application has to be submitted by 3<sup>rd</sup> November. Gordon spoke about volunteering man hours required to keep St Magdalene afloat.

**7. AGM Committee Nominations:** Allan Melling notified the Committee that he does not want to stand as Chairman for next year. Several members of the committee are resigning this year. The nominations form will be available at the basin for completion within the next few weeks.

**8. MGC Boiler Replacement:** This will cost £3480 to replace. Allan to contact Scottish Gas re the cost of putting a gas boiler in.

### **9. Conveners' Reports**

#### **Premises: (AM)**

Allan is planning to purchase new outside lights for Christmas and new tree lights. Scottish Canals have replaced the boards at the quayside.

**ACTION AM**

#### **Marketing (DM)**

The Bridge Inn at Ratho will not be running Santa weekends this year. They will put up our leaflet. Duncan to arrange leaflets for this year. The Advent Fair is on Saturday 26 November when we will be distributing leaflets.

**ACTION DM.**

#### **Tea Room:**

Some of the tables are looking he worse for wear. They are being looked at for covering or revarnishing before next season.

### **Boats (JG)**

**St Magdalene:** Has had a new propellor fitted. She is in dry dock at the moment and has passed inspection by MCA. The hull is fine but a few minor jobs to be done.

**Victoria:** In dry dock at the moment. The shaft problem to be fixed tomorrow.

**Leamington:** Also in dry dock. A new coupling for the drive shaft has been ordered. Injectors also need fixed. Gordon to send Johnny a list of minor repairs to be done.

**Colin G:** Carol Bell coming through with volunteers on 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> October to cut down overhanging branches.

**Slateford:** To be replated early next year.

### **Bookings (AM)**

**Bookings:** Wheel trips were very busy this year. An extra wheel trip was suggested for next year in September. Allan to send out a spreadsheet. Linlithgow Child Minders have asked if they can use Santa's Grotto one weekday at Christmas. This was agreed. Christmas lunch cruises will be on 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> December. John McLaughlin dealing with bookings personally. **ACTION DM**

### **Treasurer (DSR)**

The following figures were given by Douglas.

The balance in the Bank of Scotland account is £67,071.59

Savings Account is £59,478.84

John Aitken has submitted bills for internet, etc. Douglas to settle these. Douglas has contacted the bank re new cheque book signatories. Names to be taken from new committee. Douglas to send Scottish Canals money due re Leamington.

### **Fun Day: (LN)**

Very successful but numbers were down owing to Party at the Palace being on the same day. It was agreed to have next year's Fun Day on 20<sup>th</sup> August which would avoid clashing with them.

**10. Any Other Competent Business:** Contributions for the Annual Report are now due and should be with Alan Hayes by 24<sup>th</sup> October.

**NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT 7.30 PM ON MONDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2016**