



## The Rotary Club of Alresford Council Minutes

13<sup>th</sup> April 2022 at "the Globe"

As updated by Business meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022

### Present :

Council : Jonathan Read (President), Stephen Pinch (Immediate Past President), David Marshall (President Elect), James Pinniger (Secretary) and Ken Coburn (Treasurer)

In attendance: Jon Pittam (Vice President Elect) and Andrew Castillo (Secretary Elect)

*At Business meeting: Kim Boog, Andrew Castillo, Bob Germon, Reg Ling, David Marshall, Jon McKenzie, Mick Merritt, Stephen Pinch, James Pinniger, Jon Pittam, Diane Ryan, James Silvester, Peter Tudor, Steve Walker, Paul Watters and two guests Elisabeth Hill and Richard Cook.*

### **1. Financial**

Monthly report previously circulated on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Thank you letter received from Shelterbox for recent donation

### **2. Lend With Care – March 2022**

David reports:	£	Mar-22
Month loaned (19 loans)	555	
Month repayments received	228	
Month Donated to LWC	3.8	
Total to date Loaned	17205	
Total to date Loans Repaid	14215	83%
Outstanding to date due to us	2990	17%
Total to date Donated to LWC	682	
Number of small entrepreneurs helped	5554	

**We have reached almost 600 loans and helped over 5,500 small business entrepreneurs since we started LWC support. New loans made in Malawi, Zambia and Philippines. Most business in small retail sector including food.**

### **3. River Bank refurbishment and bench**

Formal cheque presentation will be on 21<sup>st</sup> April at 2.30 p.m. near the eel house. All welcome. Geoff Amey erecting sign without charge. No update ref bench.

*Update: well attended cheque presentation took place*

### **4. Eel House**

Two will be required to be on "duty" 17<sup>th</sup> July (three two hour shifts from 11.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.) David to arrange rota

### **5. Sponsorship request**

Jack Mills of Station Mill will be running 100k in West Sussex on 11<sup>th</sup> June for Alzheimer's Research. Agreeing to Donate £50.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/jack-mills10>

### **6. Quiz 8<sup>th</sup> April**

Successful and Ken will advise sum raised for Rotary District Ukraine appeal when known. Helpful feedback received which James and Steve will consider. Hall booked for 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

### **7. Other Quizzes – for info** (James P. and Stephen attending)

Alton Rotary 2<sup>nd</sup> April postponed to date TBA

Farnham Weyside Rotary 19<sup>th</sup> April postponed to 31<sup>st</sup> May

### **8. Watercress Festival – 15<sup>th</sup> May**

Stephen will arrange rota

*Update: Please respond to Stephen's email and advise your availability a s a p*

### **9. Jubilee Picnic in the Park – 4<sup>th</sup> June**

Alresford Rotary to have gazebo with fund raising activity and to offer to lead litter pick on 5<sup>th</sup> June a.m.

*Update: For detailed discussion pre meal on 9<sup>th</sup> May*

### **10. Kids Out**

Jon M. waiting to hear from Shepherds Down

### **11. 10k run – 19<sup>th</sup> June**

Approx 200 entries to date raising revenue of £3500. Projected expenses £6000. Jon M. seeking sponsors.

### **12. Celebration Handover – 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

To be held at Chez Castillo p.m. Stephen P and Ken to prepare list of possible former Rotarians, partners, widowers etc to pare down to manageable number once likely attendance of existing Rotarians and partners has been ascertained. David and Andrew making practical arrangements and setting budget - there will be a per capita charge for all attending and a pay bar.

### **13. Rotary Business Partners**

Jon M and Hans are exploring development of relationships with local businesses particularly exploring sponsorship opportunities

*Update: currently emphasis is on 10k sponsorship. To be pursued and considered more widely post 10k.*

### **14. Twinning**

Reg has raised the possibility of Alresford Rotary twinning with Valognes Rotary in Normandy, previously twinned with Chanlerr's Ford & Itchen Valley Rotary. Council is not inclined to pursue this taking into consideration Alresford's existing twinning association.

*Update: Business meeting asked Reg to "sound out" views of Valognes Rotary when he visits it in May and to report back*

### **15. Litter Picking**

At March's business meeting Mick had drawn attention to littering in local villages and Ken has ascertained Tichborne has an annual litter pick. Alresford Rotary does not commit itself to any specific litter picking but will consider any invitations made.

### **16. Calendar and other Club Documents online**

Jonathan to discuss with Reg the feasibility and logistics of the club calendar (as recently introduced by Reg) and other club documents being kept and maintained up to date online

*Correction: This should read "Jonathan to discuss with Reg and Hans the feasibility..."*

### **17. AGM and Club Assembly**

AGM will now be on 30<sup>th</sup> May (changed date) and Club Assembly on 20<sup>th</sup> June

### **18. Rotary Wessex Young Carers Weekend**

For ages 13 – 17, 13<sup>th</sup> May – 15<sup>th</sup> May. Details have been received and Jon M. has referred to Fern Calver at Perins. Cost per club is £200 per carer “sent”. Council would support sending one or more young carer if identified. James to contact Winchester & District Young Carers

*Update: WDYC currently has no suitable Alresford based carers but link will be maintained for possible future co-operation*

## **19. Ukraine**

Tin collection continues but response has been generally disappointing except for £84 collected at Six West. Local efforts are headed by Estelle and James Bentham (Homes for Ukraine). They are aware that Alresford Rotary is keen to provide practical support upon request

*Update: Jon M. will remove collection tins from Six West etc over the next few days*

## **20. “The Marshall Plan”**

David is grateful for all completing the club health survey and he continues to consult membership individually and in club discussion on 25<sup>th</sup> April with a view to presenting the incoming Council's proposal for 2022/23 at the Club Assembly on 20<sup>th</sup> June

*Update: Well presented on 26<sup>th</sup> April with helpful comments. David will circulate slides. Further comments and ideas to David*

## **21. A O B**

### **Club “Dress”:**

A second item to be discussed on 9<sup>th</sup> May. As many tabards, shirts are fairly shabby Bob suggested that we consider new supply of tabards, polo shirts, sweatshirts, tabards etc etc be purchased for all. Traditional Rotary design and colour or more radical?

## **22. Next meeting at “The Swan” - Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April**

**Update:** Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May – (Unless otherwise notified 7.00 p.m. for discussion re items 9 and 21 above, eating at 7.45 p.m.)

