

St Thomas Community Association AGM minutes 21/01/2018

- 1) Apologies: Joe Catcheside, Mary Dinham, Helen Patterson, Dave Hubbard, Carol Applebee, Rob Hannaford, Heather Morris. Janice Hindley
- 2) Present: Kathy Rufolo, Joe Levy, Phil Bialyk, Laura Wright, Hannah Packham, Lynette Ferran, Amanda Firman, Sue Taylor, Ruth Adams, Paul Mouland, Chrissy Allott, Sue Collins, Celia Hitchings, Lars Lauridsen, Liz Groves, Rob Turner, Maggie Bonfield, Rosalind Johnson, Steph Darkes, Sarah Spaul, Laura Ruiz, Laura Robinson, Lena Western, Danielle Woutton, Khaled Wakkoa, Mary Ann Jennings.
- 3) Notes of 2017 AGM agreed upon.
- 4) Chair's Report of STCA activities 2017 shared. (appendix 1)
- 5) Treasurer's Report agreed upon. (appendix 2)
- 6) Voting for 2018 – 2019 Committee Roles
 - Chair: Ros Johnson
 - Vice Chair: Steph Darkes
 - Treasurer: Ruth Adams
 - Secretary: Laura Ruiz
 - Assistant secretary: Sarah Spaul
 - Fundraising: Mary Ann Jennings
 - Communications: Lizzie Groves
 - Youth Co-ordinator: Joe Levy
 - A-Team Co-ordinator: Danielle Woutton
 - Co-ATeam Co-ordinator: Paul Mouland
 - Festival Co-ordinator: Lars Lauridsen
 - Exeter Forum Representative: Hayley Toy
- 7) Date of the next AGM agreed upon for January 2019, date to be confirmed.
- 8) Date of next Committee Meeting agreed upon for 4th February at 6pm at the Lucombe Oak.
- 9) Date of next Monthly Community Association Meeting agreed upon for 18th February 8pm.
Venue to be agreed upon.
- 10) Working ideas and feedback maps, created by attendees immediately prior to the meeting left with Laura Robinson to collate and present as a work in progress.

Appendix 1

Outgoing Chair's Report - AGM January 2018

Over the past year we have had more projects under the STCA umbrella and smaller working groups taking these on. This format works really well as more people get involved with their particular areas of interest.

STCA has grown from a voluntary body set up five years ago in order to organise the first St Thomas Community Festival to really begin fulfilling the aims of the group's constitution which are to:

- 1) Promote and celebrate St Thomas
 - 2) Increase community cohesion by working in tandem with local schools, clubs, local businesses and community organisations
 - 3) Organise a range of events and activities within and for the local community
- Representatives of STCA have attended many meetings across the city ensuring that ideas and concerns coming from St Thomas residents are heard and the group is kept informed of city wide projects and funding opportunities. Our monthly meetings have been well attended throughout the year with regular members, guest speakers our local PCSOs, city councillors and reps from various community organisations such as the emergency group, friends of the library, Active Devon and more. September saw our biggest festival programme to date and proved that rain does not stop play. The St Thomas In Bloom division have continued their work involving various schools, residents and community groups looking after and developing our green spaces. Our youth coordinator and local community builder have been finding out what local families and young people want to see on offer in the area in terms of youth work and available spaces for this to happen. Many free and fun events have been created by an army of volunteers, everything from keep fit and play days to litter picks and tree mulching that have been enjoyed by local residents of all ages. These events celebrate the area we live in, the spaces that we have available to use and encourage more people to get involved. In this present age of austerity it is more important than ever that we get organised and speak out as individuals and as an organisation to ensure that St Thomas receives the financial and social investment required to maintain the great community that we live in. There are too many people and organisations to thank individually, because STCA appreciate even just one spare hour from a local volunteer, but you know who you are, stars all of you. Keep going, keep growing!

Kathy Rufolo
(Outgoing Chair)

Appendix 2

Treasurer's report

OPENING BANK BALANCES

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|-------------------|------------------------|
| Lloyds Bank: | £6008.21 |
| Cooperative Bank: | £ 20.00 |
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| | £6028.21 |
| Petty Cash: | £ 166.77 |
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| TOTAL: | <u>£6194.98</u> |

CURRENT BANK BALANCES

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| Lloyds Bank: | £7430.59 |
| Cooperative Bank: | £ .80 |
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| | £7431.39 |
| Petty Cash: | £ 68.80 |
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| TOTAL: | <u>£7500.19</u> |

BREAKDOWN OF LLOYDS BANK FUNDS

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| St. Thomas Community Association (includes £71.92 from Community Feast & Fair with CB St. Thomas) | £4368.66 |
| Bloomin' St. Thomas (includes £1000 for St. Thomas Methodist Church flowerbeds) | £2348.46 |
| Pinces Gardens | £ 182.04 |
| Christmas trees and lights | £ 531.51 |
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| TOTAL: | <u>£7430.67</u> |

*there is a discrepancy of £0.08 between this total and the total amount in the bank account.