

The Friends of Summerhill Ltd

5th Annual General Meeting

Thursday 27th October 2016

Summerhill Bowling Club, Winchester Terrace, Newcastle Upon Tyne NE4 6EH

Present:

Dow Smith (chair)	Christian Leader	Kate Ashley
Hugh Stolliday (manager)	Tim Nixon	Charlotte Pace
Deirdre Pearson (trustee)	Barbara Usherwood	Evelyne Sernagor
Caroline Gant (trustee)	Tim Peel	Dan Jary
Daniel Nettle (trustee)	Helen White	Stuart McKirdy
Neil Canavan (trustee)	Rachel Richman	Richard Edwards
Carla Walker Farmer (trustee)	Alice Massey	Josephine Ellis
Tom Woolley (trustee)	Hilary Clixby	Antoni Mulet
Phil Hodes	David Blazey	+ 1
Cllr Joanne Kingsland	Gill Blazey	
Ann Vibeke Mou	J Johnston	
	Jon Bewley	

1.0 Apologies:

Rebecca Eves (trustee)
Paul Miskin
Maysie Sharp
Cllr Nick Forbes
Cllr Geoff O'Brien
Richard Greenwell

2.0 Chair's Introduction

DS welcomed the attendees to the meeting and gave a brief summary of the year. He reflected on how FoS had made significant steps in the last year but much remained to be done.

3.0 Minutes of previous AGM (20/10/2015)

Accepted as accurate

4.0 Matters Arising

None

5.0 Presentation of Annual Report

AGM minutes, V1.1 01/11/16 (HS)

Copies of Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ending 31 March 2016 distributed. They were approved by a show of hands. Accounts accepted.

6.0 Appointment of Auditors /Independent Examiner

HS reported that FoS had recently registered for VAT, and following advice from Deirdre Pearson (trustee) a decision had been reached to carry out a full audit for 2016/17, as opposed to an independent examination which had taken place in recent years. As Ryecroft Glenton were contracted to undertake the VAT registration on behalf of FoS, it was felt that it would be sensible to have all accountancy work undertaken by one firm. Therefore, HS moved the motion that Ryecroft Glenton should be appointed auditors. The motion was approved by a show of hands.

7.0 Election of Trustees

Both Daniel Nettle and Lionel Joyce stepped down from the board. DS thanked them for all their efforts on behalf of the organisation. There were two nominations for new board members; one from Phil Hodes and one from Tim Peel. Both nominations were approved by a show of hands and thus Phil Hodes and Tim Peel were duly elected.

8.0 Any other business

Christian Leader raised the issue of litter and antisocial behavior on and around the square and Westgate Road. There was a discussion of how best to address the problem; the group was unanimous that efforts needed to be made to reduce the problem. The way forward suggested was a group to tackle ASB/litter that could be convened from local residents.

ACTION: HS to collect emails of all interested parties and pass to Christian Leader;
ACTION: HS to contact Joanne Kingsland to discuss licensing.

9.0 Date of next meeting

October 2017

Following the meeting members enjoyed a supper and a talk from Prof Daniel Nettle on litter, antisocial and prosocial behaviour.