

Minutes of the Bradford NARPO Committee held virtually on
Thursday, 22nd July, 2021

Present:- Michael Tyne (Chairman), Joseph Broadley, Alan Pickles, Leslie Scaife, Peter and Hazel Jarvis (Social Secretaries),Bea Hopwood, (Welfare), Margaret and Malcolm Gray, Geoff Shores, Roy Leach, Jayne Slade. David Wright (Secretary) gave his apologies due to his wifebeing taken to the Hospital but arrived later. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and thankedthem for attending.

APOLOGIES:- Were received from David Drucquer and MelvinHyde.

1. Minutes of the last meeting 24.6.21 had been circulated prior to the meeting. The Chairman ascertained that everyone had received and read them and asked that they be accepted as a true record of the last meeting. They were duly adopted and proposed as correct by Alan Pickles and seconded by Geoff Shores.
2. Matters arising: There was just one matter to be raised that of the proposed MEMORIAL PLAQUE. No further information at the moment. Richard Critchley was working on pulling this matter together
3. Website update:- Hazel and Peter. The Chairman congratulated Hazel and Peter on the production and quality of the new website. The Committee unanimously agreed that it would be a great asset to the group.
Peter reported that so far 114 members had already signed up. It was considered to be easy to follow, log on and flexible, a good start and a huge congratulation to Peter and Hazel.
Hazel requested that to make it successful members had to contribute to the site. Possibility of photographs, stories, hobbies, news letters, minutes and lost contacts of members. In short, anything thought to be of interest to those using the site.
4. Randall Bequest - Previously a discussion has been held amongst the committee as to what the remainder of Eric's bequest (£350) should be used for. The Chair has been in contact with Stuart Randall, Eric's son in regard to our use of the money and attributing Eric's name.
A copy of the letter sent and report of the subsequent telephone reply received, had been circulated prior to the meeting. As a result Hazel and Peter withdrew their original idea. It was agreed that we would respect the family view that 'quiet anonymity and support to our funds was entirely appropriate'. The £350 will go into Bradford Narpo funds.
5. CEO - Resignation - Steve Edwards had recently resigned his position. His deputy Alan Lees has taking his place. This information is confidential. It would seem that some internal problems had arisen in relation to Steve's post. NEC will be holding meetings to address this issue and Brian Burdus will be discussing the difficulty which has arisen at HQ.
6. Social events:- The usual September social event had been pencilled in the for 2021 but the committee discussed whether it was wise to hold an

event this September due to the covid situation

A decision had to be taken at this meeting because there is a `cut off` date with Bingley Rugby Club and the caterers due in September. After a discussion on the issue it was unanimously decided that as a responsible committee we should cancel the event so that the treasurer could make contact with the Rugby Club and cancel the date. Will look at the Christmas event at a later date.

Jayne said that as the above event was being cancelled she was still willing to prepare a virtual Quiz for September. It was agreed that Jayne look into this and report back at the next meeting.

6. Welfare:- Bea reported that she was to visit Ray Norton, the following day, to ascertain his position or requirements. Ray is over 90. Bea has also had been in contact with David Drucquer, who is in close contact with David Cox. David Drucquer is reported to be not very well at the present time so Bea will make contact and if required will assist or take over David's roll in assisting Dave Cox.

7. Any other business:-

Geoff Shores reported that he and his wife had attended Peter Sampson's funeral.

Les, Margaret and Malcolm are to attend a memorial to P.C. Bryan Martindale, at North Cliffe Golf Club, on the 25rd July.

Tony Hannigan, who we supported on his `walk` had raised so far, approximately £18, 000. He has also put together a `talk/film show` of this epic walk, and was willing to come to a NARPO event and present it.

Peter and Hazel made a suggestion that maybe we could organise a photography competition with a view to creating a calendar for 2022. This will be discussed at the next meeting whilst enquires are on going to into such a production.

Update on Barbara. David had informed us that Barbara had fallen at home today and as a result she had been taken to the BRI. She was being x-rayed and David and family were awaiting information as he is unable to visit her.

The date of the next meeting will be Thursday, 26th August, by Zoom.

The meeting closed at 8.10 p.m.

(The Secretary wishes to thank Margaret for the preparation of these minutes)