**Belford Community Group CIO**

**Minutes of the Meeting held on**

**Wednesday 13th November 2024**

**At Bell View Resource Centre, Belford**

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|  | **Present:** | Pauline Tucker (Chair), Charlie Wadsworth (Treasurer), Karon Ives,  (acting Secretary), Amanda White, Linda Wadsworth | **Action** |
| **1** | **Apologies for absence:** | Jane Cowley, Del Hughes, Nikki Dunn |  |
| **2** | **Declarations of interest:** | Charlie Wadsworth -  Bell View |  |
| **3** | **Minutes of the last meeting:** | Pauline signed the Minutes dated 21st October 2024 as a true and accurate record. | **PT** |
| **4** | **Matters arising:** | None that would not be dealt with on the agenda. |  |
| **5.** | **Appointment of Officers** | Pauline was proposed as Chair by Amanda White, seconded by Karon Ives. Pauline accepted but has made it known that this will be her last year as Chair.  Charlie was proposed as Treasurer by Pauline and seconded by Linda Wadsworth.  Nikki was proposed as Secretary by Linda Wadsworth and seconded by Amanda. |  |
| **6.** | **Finance** | Charlie presented his report. Income was just short of £28,000 over a 7 month period with a net figure of £17,000. A full report has been emailed to trustees. The shop continues to do well. | **CW** |
| **7.** | **Grant Application:** | A grant application had been received from Bell View the previous month, which had been approved, but we were asked for it to be slightly amended, which was agreed by the trustees.  Alpacas for the Christmas Fair and decorations for Bell View £500 and a shed/fridge for the community food sharing project £984.93. |  |
| **8.** | **Shop Committee** | Linda gave a report, which was emailed to all trustees. She has added that cladding from under the shop window has been removed and that the stonework is in good condition. It was agreed to leave the stone and not cover it. The window needs some remedial work, which Derek Allan will carry out and he will source a painter. The installation of a foot well inside the front door will be carried out in the closed period over Christmas.  It was reiterated that the Shop Committee have an allowance o £500 to spend on items for the shop before they need to ask the trustee for approval. | **LW** |
| **9.** | **Action Plan** | **Good Governance –** Pauline has circulated a list of policies that need looking at and various trustees have offered to undertake this. We will discuss at the January meeting | **PT** |
| **10** | **Woodlands** | No report | **Brian Rogers** |
| **11** | **Markets** | No report |  |
| **12** | **AOB** | Christmas Tree: Pauline is to email Ian with regard to sponsorship of the Christmas tree for the village as it was minuted in December 2022 that the Community Group would fund this.  Planters: Juliet has been approached to see if she can think of anyone or a group that would take over the village planters as they are in a sorry state.  Belford Youth Space: Rebbecca Rae handed in a report she has prepared with regard to providing a space for young people to go. Pauline will respond to this.  Pauline laid a wreath at the Remembrance Day Service on behalf of the Community Group |  |
| **15** | **Date and time of next meeting** | **Next meeting: Monday 2nd December 7pm at The Market Cross Guest House** |  |