



The charity that supports the RAF family

RAFA Global Branch 1370 Minutes of the committee meeting held on the 29th Nov 2020 at 1930 hours

Attendees: Mr Steve Mullis
Mr Andrew Thomson
Mrs Julie Mullis
Mr Graham Croft
Ms Nicky Loveday
Mrs Maz Holland

Item 1: Apologies:

- i) Mr Damian Harris, Mr Gerwyn Thomas

Item 2: Minutes of the last meeting (25th Oct 2020).

- i) The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as a true record

Item 3: Matters arising from the last minutes.

- i) Nil

Item 4: Chairman's report

i) AGM 2021:

The Chairman suggested a decision needs to be made whether, due to current Government Covid-19 restrictions, which are due to possibly run until Easter 2021 (4th April), that we now decide to cancel going to RAF Valley & plan for an online AGM. **This was agreed unanimously**

ii) If Item (i) is agreed then also agree to see if we can still hold an AGM at RAF Valley but in 2022.

This was agreed unanimously

iii) Update on Charity Number Registration: this is still on going

iv) Replacement Treasurer:

Mazza, our present Treasurer, has confirmed to me that she felt it better to stand down from the Committee at the next AGM. Since we rarely get inundated with volunteers for positions on the Committee I have been looking for a suitable replacement. To this end, I have found a retired policeman (Richard Wiltshire) who is willing to take up the challenge from the AGM or from year start, **whichever the Committee decides**. Richard is UK based, which will make it easier to transfer access to the branch accounts, which does take time. Obviously his position would need to be confirmed at the AGM.

Mazza **could** still run through to year end 31/12 & present the AGM report. The branch "might" have to find a new suitable auditor for the accounts in 2022.

This was agreed unanimously

v) Branch Regulations – amendments

At its last meeting on 18 November 2020, Central Council approved a revision to the Branch Regulations that had come into effect on 1 September 2020. These revisions followed some useful observations from some branches. I have spoken with our Area Rep, Martin Turner, concerning these. The revised version will come into effect on 1 December 2020. I suggest ALL Committee members download a copy of these Regulations for their own information & future reference. They can be found via the link below

[View revised Branch Regulations \(cm19.com\)](mailto:cm19.com)

Item 5: Treasurers report

The following figures were supplied by the Treasurer.

i) Community Account £2,753.76

After Paying £1,826.13 for the Wings Appeal 2020

ii) Welfare Account £485.58 No Change

Item 6: Welfare officers report

- i) The Welfare officer reported that things are much the same as the last minutes, things are very quiet

Item 7: Secretary's report

- i) The Secretary had nothing to report from a secretarial point. He did mention that he would no longer require a 'Zoom' account as he is now able to use the previous secretary's account.

Item 8: Wings report

- i) Nothing to report. However he has great hopes to organize a virtual wine tasting. He will try and do this locally and then inform members who wish to try on how to go about it.

Item 9: Social report

- i) Nil. However, Julie, our social member is standing down due to ill health. It has been suggested our present Treasurer take up this position as she would like to remain involved. To be discussed

Item 10: Any other reports

- i) The Membership representative supplied the following figures for the branch:

Total: 378 Members

Comprising: 252 Ordinary

91 Lifetime

26 Associate

9 Give as you earn

- ii) The newsletter is progressing as reported by that member

Item 11: Other Notified items

- i) Nil

Item 11.1: Items raised by members

- i) Nil

Item 12: Any Other Business

Chairman's Challenge 2021

The Chairman reported that he is continuing to run the Home Collection Box Challenge by which we raised over £1,000 in 2020 for the Wings Appeal.

The challenge for 2021 is not for the members, but for the Chairman!!

He (the Chairman) put forward the idea of doing John o'Groats to Land Ends by.....mobility scooter!!!

Hopeful to have an update next month

As there was no further business to discuss, the next meeting will take place on 3rd January 2021 at 1930