Minutes of Whitchurch Photographic Society Committee meeting held on Thursday 3rd March 2022 via Zoom

Present: **Marc Brimble; David Powell; Martyn Daniels; Les Jones; Sandy Robertson; Richard Priestley**

22.13 Apologies for absence were received from Paul Hayward.

22.14. Minutes of the meeting held on 26th January 2022.

22.14.1 The Minutes of the meeting held on 26th January 2022 were **approved** as a correct record.

22.14.2. Matters arising:

22.3.Covid policy – it was **agreed** that in the light of Governmental restrictions being relaxed that appropriate changes should be made to paragraphs 3.6, 3.9 and 3.11 .The amended policy would then be circulated and placed on the website **.ACTION RP/MB**

22.5 Copies of the PAGB and MCPF handbooks had been received.

22.9 A new SSD hard drive had been installed in the spare laptop which was now suitable for back up purposes; it had not been necessary to replace the battery.

22.15. Minute 22.4.- Committee posts falling vacant at the 2022 AGM and 2023 AGM

It was **noted** that in relation to the paper circulated that a nomination for Chairman had now been received from Alan Cook and with this addition it was **agreed** that the paper should be amended and put to the 2022 AGM for consideration and support .**ACTION RP**

22.16. Minute 22.10 WPS programme for 2022/ 2023

Following discussions, it was **agreed** that the following ideas / concepts /options should be further considered in relation to the above programme in addition to those identified in the draft programme:

- 4 / 5 field trips to be held on either Tuesday or Saturday – suggestions included Chester / Liverpool / Chester Zoo / Dudley zoo/ the Long Mynd / Oulton Park / Bala lake / Motocross event / Horse eventing meet
- ZOOM based speakers / events linked to the Creative review of 2021/ portraits and lighting / painting with light – both indoor and outdoor / submission of photographs for external events e.g. PAGB , other awards , salons etc / travel photography / street photography **ACTION MB /SO**

22.17. Minute 22.11 60th Anniversary of WPS 1962-2022

Following discussions, it was **agreed** that an appropriate event should be considered for the Summer - ? June 2022 at the Town Hall in Whitchurch or a BarBQ if the Town Hall was not available . The concept was to focus around exhibits of members work etc and to act as a publicity event for the potential recruitment of club members,within a budget of some £300 / £400. .John Edge would be asked to make enquires accordingly .**ACTION MB**

22.18. AGM 2022 to beheld at Pearl Yard on 26th April 2022

The draft agenda for the AGM 2022 which had been circulated was considered and was **agreed** with the following amendments;

1. Revisions to the layout to include reference to enclosed papers particularly in relation to : **agenda items 4** – officers reports and **item 5** - officers standing down at the2022 and 2023 AGM's and the appointment of their successors for the 2022/ 2023 session

2. The addition of an item to consider and approve the proposals for the identification of rolling budgets for 2022/ 2023 , 2023/2024 and 2024/ 2025
3. Drinks would be provided for members

ACTION RP/ MB

22.19. Treasurers report

It was **noted** that:

1. As at 10th November 2021, WPS assets totalled £ 10560, made up of £4804 cash in the bank , £54 of cash held by the Treasurer and £ 5703 of assets being the book value of equipment, cups and trophies etc .
2. The forecast out turn for 31.03 2022, subject to amendments showed a net deficit of £ 355.32 compared to a net surplus of £431.93 as at 31.03. 2021 and a 2 year surplus of £76.71
3. Whilst WPS was in a reasonably healthy financial position ,it was felt important in relation to 2022/ 2023 ++ to e.g. review income streams against rising costs, to compare WPS Membership and Door fees with other local clubs and to consider whether a reduction in the cost and provision of services and activities was necessary. **ACTION DP**

22.20 Membership Secretary's report

It was **noted** that membership numbers were presently 30 paying members and 3 Honorary members, although this was expected to reduce in 2022/ 2023 to 28 paying members and 3 honorary members. A steady decline in numbers over the last few years was **NOTED.**

22.21 Any other business

It was **agreed** that**;**

1. The results of competitions should have a target of 1 week of their taking place to be put on the website. .**ACTION LJ**
2. When the proposals for 3 year rolling budgets 2022/ 2023 to 2024/ 2025 were available, a committee meeting should be arranged in advance of the 2022 AGM to review the paper and ensure full understanding of this development. **ACTION DP/MB/RP**

22.22 Date and time of the next ZOOM based WPS committee meeting – to be determined