

MINUTES OF A HAUGHLEY GENERAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 6 OCTOBER 2021 AT 7.30 PM

HAUGHLEY VILLAGE HALL

1. **WELCOME AND APOLOGIES** – Apologies were received from Yvonne Hannon, Lynne Mahon, Joyce Freeman, Rita Hall, Enid Thompson, and Barbara Willsher. Marian welcomed tonight's Speaker, Cathy Sherbourne.
2. **JERUSALEM** – Members sung Jerusalem
3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS GENERAL MEETING** – These had been e-mailed and hard copies circulated. Agreed and signed.
4. **BIRTHDAY CARDS AND GIFTS FOR TONIGHT** – None for October
5. **HOSTESSES FOR TONIGHT** – Helene, Sandra, Yvonne Tricker. Marian asked members to please see Helene to let her know when they could volunteer to do refreshments. Marian also reported that we had received a £20 voucher from the Co-op Community Engagement Office and it was agreed to purchase refreshments for our November Christmas Meeting.
6. **MATTERS ARISING FROM SEPTEMBER'S GENERAL MEETING**
 - 6.1 **Continued Covid Restrictions** – Ventilation is a key message from Government for groups of people from different households gathering. NFWI, SEFWI and the Village Hall Committee **also** recommend ventilation as well as wearing a mask when moving around. Marian reported that she will keep members updated but suggested that, for the foreseeable future, we all wrap up for our meetings.
 - 6.2 **Community Café 4 September** – Hugely successful morning raising £163. Marian thanked everyone who helped by making cakes and helping on the day. Special mention was made to Sandra, Helene, Rosemary, Irene, Veronica, Sally, Lesley, Gail Walker and Yvonne Edge.

Marian reported that we were the first organization to host this event and it was only the second Café. It was a useful exercise for us and the VHC and resulted in some helpful suggestions. We will be hosting the Café again in April when we would normally hold a cake stall for Easter.
 - 6.3 **Raffle tonight** – Marian reminded members who wished to buy tickets to do so before the raffle call during refreshments.
 - 6.4 **September Lunch Club** – The lunch was enjoyed by all. The next lunch is on Wednesday 20 October at 12.00 at the Norton Dog and members were reminded to put their name on the list if they wished to go. Members would have to arrange their own transport.
7. **IDEAS FOR SPEAKERS** – Members were asked for ideas for Speakers at meetings.
8. **EARLY WARNING OF FUTURE EVENTS**
 - 7.1 **November Meeting** – Marian pointed that there had been a misprint in the programme and confirmed that date as the 3rd. This is our AGM when voting of officers and President takes place. It is also our 96th Birthday – wine and cake.

Marian asked for a volunteer to make a cake and Helene and Gail kindly offered. There would be a talk from our local Community Police Officer.
 - 7.2 **Raffle at December Meeting** – Tickets £1.00. Proceeds to ACWW

7.3 **Wolsey Theatre Rock 'n' Roll Panto** – Thursday 2 December 7.30 pm. As it is a Group Booking 15 names would be needed. At present we have 11. Partners and friends welcome. Four more signed up on the night.

7.4 **Remembrance Sunday** – Rosemary has ordered our wreath and Marian reported that she will lay it on our behalf.

7.5 **Name Badges** – Members were reminded to leave their badges on the way out.

7.6 **Christmas Dinner Outing 21 December** – Rosemary reported that there was a clipboard available tonight but that she was still awaiting costing and would email details before next meeting. She would also include menu choice.

7.7 **Christmas Shopping Trip** – 24 November – Clipboard available. Minimum 23 needed to make transport for this trip economically viable.

9. **TREASURER'S REPORT** – Rosemary reported that there was £1,096.56 in the Bank.

10. **CORRESPONDENCE** - Veronica read out some information received. Marian pointed out that as we received a great deal of correspondence and would take some time to read out, we have a special 'Information Table' where members could read at leisure.

11. **TONIGHT'S SPEAKER** - Tonight's Speaker is Cathy Sherbourne and she gave a talk on 'Broke of the Shannon' A Naval Hero of the 1800's who lived at Nacton.

12. **THANKS TO SPEAKER** – Sally Green gave a most eloquent thank you to our Speaker.

13. **REFRESHMENTS** – Were served from the Hatch and members could socialize.

14. **NEXT MEETING** – 3 November 2021 at 7.30 pm in the Main Hall

15. **CLOSE OF MEETING**

President

Date