



Minutes of a Special Meeting¹ of Club Council 25 March 2020

	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Alan Odom	✓	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	✓	X	X			
Alison Blythe	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	X	✓			
Andrea Fiford	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	X	✓			
Adrienne Holland	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Graham Bett	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Helen Bett	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X							
Gill Kendall									✓	✓			

Helen Bett resigned from the Club and Rotary on 27 December 2019. Colin Clews & Gill Kendall were elected to Council on 17 February 2020.

1. Online Communications

After some challenges, nine members attended this Zoom meeting. The Officers had successfully met on Monday.

2. Implementation of the “Pause”

Except for the trip to Chester, which is awaiting cancellation by the coach company, all events had been postponed or cancelled in line with the Members’ Meeting decision.

[BMC]

3. Continuation of the Club during the Pandemic

Members felt it important for individual social and welfare reasons, as well as the preservation of the club in a viable form for the future, to keep in touch as much as possible and hold appropriate meetings to plan for a post-pandemic future. Meetings for the sake of them however, could be counter-productive.

Council recognised that Zoom etc may not be inclusive for every member; other forms of communication (eg WhatsApp, Skype, and phone) must also play a part.

To that end, it was agreed for the immediate future to

- Hold fortnightly meetings of Club Council at 10am starting from Friday 10 April
- Hold a social catch-up / Zoom learning meeting for all members on Monday 6 April
- Hold the Club Annual General Meeting on Monday 27 April at 1pm. This will allow us to appoint Chairs of Committees, and agree the subscriptions etc for 2020/21. Voting can be at the meeting and / or by email.
- Make further arrangements for club meetings in light of the response of members after the AGM

[AH MB
KT GB]

4. Community Support

Council was concerned that the tradition of Rotary of serving others should remain our prime concern. However, many members were not in a physical position to volunteer to help in current circumstances.

The possibility of a financial contribution to Storehouse was discussed and it was agreed to investigate urgently. *[This turned out not to be helpful to Storehouse at the moment].*

Graham suggested that offering our Zoom facility to facilitate communication and meetings for local community and charity groups, as well as other Rotary Clubs who may not have access, was one possibility to support the community.

[GB]

Chair _____

Date _____

¹ This meeting was held on-line due to the Corona Virus Pandemic. All references to “meetings” are to online meetings unless otherwise stated.