

Rotary Club of Melton Mowbray

Club Membership Meeting at 2.15 pm on Monday 2nd February 2015

Sysonby Knoll Hotel

Present

Diana Osborne, Peter Briggs, David Morris

Apologies

Brian Gromett

Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

Nothing which is not on the agenda for this meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as an accurate record of the matters discussed and agreed.

New Members / Mentoring

Fiona Buckton will be inducted into club membership on the 16th February.

Fiona will be mentored by Richard Abbott

Satellite Club

Three membership proposal forms have been signed and submitted by Mark Frisby, Alison Freer and Graham Watson. These will be interview and processed for membership in the usual way.

To comply with RI procedure, 8 members are required for the satellite to be properly formed.

The weekly meetings are currently being held in Amici's Restaurant in Nottingham Street.

The membership of the satellite are working with the club to prepare a project which is aimed at making unemployed people employable. A plan of action is being prepared which will be formalised and executed once there is sufficient membership within the satellite to sustain it.

RI Innovative and Flexible Club Pilot

Following an invitation from RI, there was a preliminary discussion on whether there was any one way in which Rotary rules/customs could be modified in such a way as to impact positively on membership.

An obvious example of this would be to reduce the frequency of club meetings, but evidence would need to be produced that showed this would increase membership.

The e Clubs which are in the course of formation are another example of flexibility and innovation where members do not need to physically attend meetings.

Questions have also been raised as to whether it is permissible for a club to have a satellite and be flexible and innovative?

Approach to parents of members of Interact and other young persons involved in Rotary projects / Alumni

No progress has been made on either of these matters since the last meeting. If work on these matters is to take place, the size of the committee must be increased.

Club Website on Membership

DMO agreed to have a look at this and bring the information contained therein up to date.

Attendance at Club Meetings & Events

Four members were named at the recent Club Council as not complying with the Rotary membership requirements. The committee considered this and acknowledged that in each case the persons was doing sufficient Rotary work to justify a degree of flexibility in the interpretation of the rules. Also, the establishment of the satellite group would be an opportunity for each of these members to attend some of the meetings. It was agreed that no further action is required beyond what is already taking place.

Any Other Business

There is scope to increase the presence of Interact in Melton with opportunities at both John Ferneley and Longfield.

Date and Time of Next Meeting

9th March at 2.15 pm