

he Parish Pump AGM was held at The Tally Ho!, Hatherleigh on 17th May 2017 at 6.30pm.

1. Present

Neil Price, Susan Price, Pat Hampshaw, Jane Payne and Deb Laing-Trengrove

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Sandra Collier and Anita Pearce.

3. Last year's minutes, matters arising.

Neil said that the old printer had recently been sold on Ebay for the some of £1, however he is hopeful that more money can be raised from the sale of the remaining ink cartridges.

4. Chairman/ Editor's report.

Marion Lloyd had given up her role of Advertising Officer as she has moved away. Marion had done an excellent job and her efforts at chasing up outstanding payments had made a big difference to the income of the Pump. The vacancy for an Advertising Officer has been advertised in the Pump. Neil will deal with the advertising himself until the position is filled. Deb said she would mention the position of Advertising Officer at the next Parish Council meeting.

Neil also said that he would like to find someone who would be willing to take on the role of Editor, as after 18 years of doing the job it would be nice to take a break and go travelling.

5. Treasurer's report

Pat said that income was down on the previous year. This was largely due to Marion chasing up outstanding payments initially, so generating more income and the loss of the Pump printer meant loss of income from printing other villages' newsletters.

This year's profit was approximately £1500 , donations were around £400.

It was decided not to donate any money to local not for profit organisations this year and review next year.

6. Election of Officers

Jane proposed that all officers remain the same and this was seconded by Deb Laing-Trengove.

a. Editor/Chairman Neil Price

b. Treasurer Pat Hampshaw

c. Advertising Officer VACANT

d. Distributors Jane Payne

e. Proof Reader Susan Price

7. Advertising Rates

It was agreed to keep the rates the same as they had been raised the previous year.

8. Leaflet Distribution Rates

A price increase was agreed for leaflet distribution. Now £30 for non- profit organisations and now £50 for commercial. (Previously £25 and £40).

9. Remunerations

It was agreed to keep the Editor's annual fee at £400.

10. A.O.B.

Deb Laing-Trengrove said that an anonymous article had been printed in the Pump. It was decided that anonymous copy will not be accepted but names can be withheld at the editor's discretion.

The Constitution was looked at and amendments made as seen necessary.

The meeting closed at 7.40pm.