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**Minutes of the Lode with Longmeadow Village Trust Committee
Monday 26 September 2016**

Present: T Anderson   A Hall   B Hall   C Hatley
P Holmes   J Howard   L Johnson   C Platten
C Rickard

		Action
1	**Apologies** E Mitchell, J Martin.	

2	**Notes of meeting of 24 May 2016 and matters arising**
	The minutes of the committee meeting of 24 May 2016 were approved.
	Matters arising:
	  2 Post office ramp now done. LJ to chase Corinne for her request for our agreed donation of £250.
	  4 Proposals for working procedures. CP and CR been looking at these and will report back.
		LJ
		
		CP/CR

3	**Treasurer's report** LJ tabled a summary spreadsheet showing £6,396.04 in (including £2,239.92 opening balance) this year, and £3,454.04 out. Excess of income over expenditure due to bank interest and profit from social events. CP thanked everyone for their involvement in the social events – which have been successful so far.	
4	**Proposals to set up current and deposit accounts for the charity** Agreed now time to move on and just have accounts in the charity name. Current account likely to be a Lloyds Treasurer's Account (LJ to further investigate). Alternative would be the Co-op. LJ also looked at best deposit accounts, and we can get 1.3% as a charity. Nationwide account matures October, so the £26K in that account to be put into a new charity account. Aldermore's account matures February 2017, and we will look for another account to spread our money safely under FSA guidelines. LJ to sort.	LJ
5	**Charity paperwork including proposal to advertise for social events organiser** CP believes we should seek a volunteer to join the committee as a fundraiser for specific projects and to manage our social activities. He and CR have produced a job description for LodeStar, but it is quite a lot to expect of a volunteer, so to be thinned down and put in the November	

	LodeStar. The intention would be to grow the "job" gradually.	CR/CP
	Other documents have been looked at, and will be reported on at the next meeting.	CR/CP
	Existing directors become trustees initially (as per constitution), to be replaced by others in the village who are nominated or have put themselves forward. Trustees will stand down as follows: - 2 stand down in 2018 (June) - 2 stand down in 2019 - 1 stands down in 2020, and so on	
	With regard to people applying for money from the charity, CR suggested an evaluation procedure, whereby a list of criteria will be scored from 1 – 5 with a minimum total score required in order to proceed. CR to produce.	CR
	It was also agreed that all applications must be made with the support of a village organisation, with match-funding being a general requirement. However, we are not yet ready to receive applications for money. We need to wait and see how successful "The Shed" is before we can consider spending any of our capital.	
6	**Social events and implication of the opening of the new pub/restaurant** Events organised: 29 October – Quiz Night at the Fassage Hall, with pop-up pub, raffle and play-your-cards-right. 3 December – Christmas Fair at the Church 28 January 2017 – Bingo at the Fassage Hall The Church is holding a book festival 19/20 November - may require help.	
7	**Outdoor gym equipment proposal** The Parish Council is funding some outdoor gym equipment and JM has suggested we fund some more – namely: - A zip wire. National Trust agreed we can use some of their land, and costs are being investigated - BBQ – brick or concrete built - Cycle track around the Fassage. Suggested use mesh through which grass grows - Ditch clearance to let the kids build dens, etc. This will go back to Joy to progress.	JM
8	**Timescale for publicising the new charity** Agreed we publicise an AGM in April 2017.	
9	**AOB** There was none.	
10	**Date of next meeting** Monday 16 January 2016 at 8pm at the Church.	