

Minutes

Ushaw Moor Action Group Trustees Meeting

The Hut

Tuesday 15th August 2017, 7.30pm

	Agenda Item	Person(s) Responsible
1.	Welcome and Introductions Apologies for absence	John Arthurs Apologies: Libby Wood, Penny Whitworth, Jeremy Goulding, Victoria Robinson, and Julie O'Connor Attendees: John Arthurs, Lyn Bossons, Simon Ellison, Andrew Donnelly, Enid Facey, Shelley Gill, Stu Hogg, Laura Chapman, Helen Hogg, Alex Kelly and Steve Sheldon.
2.	Farewell to Lyn and welcome new trustees and committee members	John Arthurs Thankyou to Lyn for his contribution to UMAG. Lyn was presented with a leaving gift and flowers for Gladys. Lyn has dedicated a lot of time and effect to UMAG and he will be a miss to the community. Welcome to Simon Ellison as treasurer, Shelley Gill and Enid Facey as trustees.
3.	Minutes of the previous meeting Matters arising	John Arthurs - no amendments to previous minutes
5.	Community Buildings Update The Hut	Lyn Bossons/Steve Sheldon- Composite door and canopy has been fitted to the hut ongoing trials for a door clip to stop it slamming. Andrew advised the oven was not working at kids club tonight (electricity problem) and Enid added she also had problems when she used it for a party where it wouldn't reach the required temperature. This could be something to address and replace and will be discussed at the next meeting.

	<p>Visit from Durham Housing Association 13/08/17 to review assets and possibly The Hut's rent. An agreed rent of £50 pa has been paid to DHA over the past couple of years. Legal documents are in place to prove this agreed contract and will be provided to support this if needed.</p> <p>Steve Sheldon (Hut Manager) – no issues to report. Steve has been a welcome addition to The Hut and has and has already carried out a number of repairs.</p>
<p>6. Community Garden Update</p>	<p>John Arthurs – Men's Cree ongoing and John has acquired an up to date DBS. Funding will become available now this DBS has been sighted; however this is yet to be received. £500 owing from the last financial year and £1000 owed for this financial year. DHA have also contacted John regarding the garden facilities.</p> <p>Poly tunnel is up and a selection of vegetables are growing nicely.</p> <p>No noted issues regarding vandalism and thankyou to Enid for opening and closing the garden.</p> <p>Natural parenting group meet monthly in the garden and this will continue moving forward.</p>
<p>7. Treasurer's report:</p> <p>Quarterly report</p>	<p>Lyn Bossons – Notes explained Parish council donated £200 towards the Great Get Together event which was a success and held in the community garden. Electricity supplier has been changed and has saved money and is on a 4 year contract. Gas is due for renewal is October. Awaiting Coop community fund grant which is due in October and will cover the cost of the door and canopy. Application has been made for October for the next funding round at the Coop where flooring and tools for the garden has been put forward.</p> <p>Cash assets £7750.79</p>

<p>8. Any other business</p>	<p>Youth Group update: We offered year 6 taster sessions 4 weeks before the holidays and did cooking with the group who attended, these same young people are currently taking part in our summer programme. We hope they will still attend once they start year 7 and we will be able to introduce a new group to the youth club.</p> <p>We held our Ushaw Moor fun day yesterday and had good attendance and made approximately £180 which we will put towards our Halloween event we are currently planning for 21st October, venue to be confirmed at a later date.</p> <p>With the help of Lyn we have put in a funding bid for the youth groups at Ushaw and New Brancepeth and are waiting to hear if we have been successful (letter confirmation to Lyn that this has been turned down).</p> <p>Kids club is doing well – Andrew suggested promoting meetings for residents to attend and this was discussed in the group to encourage more residents to become involved - this will be advertised on the website and Facebook in time for the AGM.</p>
<p>9. Date of next meeting</p>	<p>AGM 14th November 2017 7:30pm @ The Hut</p>