

**Dry Drayton School & Village Association
Annual General Meeting
Scheduled for Thursday 15 February 2024 starting at 7:30pm
In the Dry Drayton School Hall**

AGENDA

Invited: All village residents, Dry Drayton school staff, and parents/carers of children who attend the school and Little Owls.

		Actions
1.	<u>Attendance and apologies for absence</u>	
2.	<u>Review and adoption of minutes of the AGM held 21 Feb 2023 and matters arising</u> Minutes attached as Item 2.	
3.	<u>Presentation and acceptance of the accounts</u>	
4.	<u>Report of the S & VA Chair</u>	
5.	<u>Report of the Headteacher</u>	
6.	<u>Election of the Officers and Committee for 2023/24</u>	
7.	<u>2024 Calendar of Events</u>	
8.	<u>Village Marquee</u>	
9.	<u>Any other business</u>	

Agenda Item Two

**School and Village Association AGM Minutes
7:30 pm Tuesday 21st February 2023
Dry Drayton CE Primary School**

Present:	Neil Harris	Chairman
	Roger Swain	Treasurer
	Cinnamon Bair	Committee Member
	Rachel Gardner	Committee Member

Steve Gardner	Independent Examiner
Robbie Hawkes	Marquee Team
Sonia Hegan	Headteacher, Dry Drayton CE Primary
Anne and John Kingsmill	Village Residents
Louise Scripps	School Parent & Village Resident
David Smith	Dry Drayton Parish Council
Hilary Smith	Village Resident
Sue and David Wyatt	The Church of St Peter and St Paul

1. Apologies: Diane Harris, S&VA secretary; Ali Arnold, Dry Drayton CE Primary; Simon Landers, Committee Member; David Wyatt (elder), Village Resident

2. Minutes

The minutes of the 2022 Annual General Meeting were approved as read with a small spelling correction. N. Harris signed the minutes.

3. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

4. Report of the S & VA Chair

N. Harris thanked the committee and members of the community for coming, and thanked the school for hosting the meeting. He stated that the S&VA's work was split between social activities for the village and the school, including donating roughly £4,000 to the school for various projects. The S&VA continues to produce a high-quality newsletter which is mostly self-supporting. The Jubilee Picnic was a big success, as was Feast Week and the fete on Saturday. The Fun Run, despite being reorganised due to the death of the Queen, had a good turnout. The marquee remains the S&VA's single biggest fundraiser.

He said he was glad to see the coffee mornings have been reinstated by the village hall, and he offered kudos to the Village Hall Committee.

An ongoing issue is attracting volunteers. There is a mismatch between the level of support and the involvement of parents. As a result, there will be a much-reduced feast week for 2023. The Fun Run will take place in September. It is not obvious there we be a film night. It is not a sustainable way to proceed – there needs to be more contact between the S&VA and parents.

To address the issue, the S&VA will trial having parent representatives attend committee meetings. It is hoped more ideas can be generated for events if more people are involved.

5. Report of the Headteacher

S. Hegan thanked the S&VA for the tremendous support it shows the school. She said costs for the school are sky high, and they are grateful for the support. She showed a PowerPoint presentation highlighting how S&VA funds were used in the past year, including purchasing Perspex walls for the outdoor classroom, providing paint to redecorate KS2, purchasing history artefact boxes, refurbishing the infants' outdoor section, purchasing a gravel pit and digger, paying for the children to attend the pantomime in Cambridge and providing ongoing support for the Accelerated Reader scheme.

The school has grown from 36 children in the summer of 2019 to 69 children, just one shy of full enrolment. She noted the relationship among the school, the village and the church is important to the school's success. She noted that the school has tried to open its doors more – anyone is welcome to come at 9 am Fridays for collective worship.

6. Comments and Questions

A. Kingsmill asked if the school would have any use for a money substitute known as a truck that in the 1850s could be used only in the brewery or pub. She offered it as a potential historical artefact.

7. Presentation and Acceptance of the Accounts

R. Swain presented the independently examined accounts showing a balance of £13,456 as of 31st December 2022, with a surplus for the year of £741. Major income sources included the newsletter (£2,798) and the marquee (£4,524). Regrettably Microsoft Benevity funds are no longer available. Total income was £10,813. Major expenditures included newsletter printing (£3,118) and school purchases (£4,079). £6,000 has been placed in reserve for future school or village needs.

S. Gardner approved the accounts as an independent examiner. The accounts were approved as presented.

8. Election of the Officers and Committee for 2022/23

<u>Position</u>	<u>Nominations</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Seconded</u>
Chair	N. Harris	C. Bair	R. Swain
Secretary	D. Harris	S. Wyatt	R. Gardner
Treasurer	R. Swain	C. Bair	R. Gardner
Publicity	C. Bair	R. Gardner	R. Swain
Member	R. Gardner	C. Bair	R. Swain
Member	S. Landers	R. Swain	R. Gardner

9. AOB

None.

There being no further business the meeting closed about 8:30 pm.

Signed: _____
Chairman

Date: _____