

EXETER GYMNASTICS CLUB - TRUSTEES MEETING

Wednesday 15th January 2014

Present:

Tim Johns (Chair)
Alan Cleave

Yvonne Budd
Alain Cook

Richard Franks
Michelle Hamilton-Kendall

In attendance:

Ian Honnor

Helen Honnor

1. **Apologies** Meriel Fry

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

Some amendments were needed to Appendix A, as per email from Ian. Otherwise they were agreed as a true record.

*as per email from Ian: *Plans and planning permission* - we have not got information on the planning permission. Evidence of Not for Profit - *being discussed with Mike and Helen. Letters of support* - as Mike was not at the meeting, can I highlight that it would really add to our case if Mike could get a letter of support from British Gymnastics.

3. Matters Arising

None.

4. Building Update

In terms of the excavation work the architect and civil engineer had not been to site, mainly due to the Christmas holiday. Once this work has been priced up, Mike will discuss the costs with the Trustees and whether we would want to pursue this work.

Mike said he had started talking to the Jehovah's Witnesses about their building, as there could be an opportunity to use some of their land to expand the gym and for Stage by Stage to move into the main building. Although this is not really part of the remit of the Trustees, it is good for all to be kept informed in terms of future funding of works to be carried out to the existing premises.

Extension to existing building: as planning permission has already been granted, the Trustees agreed that this work should go ahead. Quotations would be obtained and costs discussed at next meeting. It was important that members of the club are aware of what is happening and information would be put up on the notice board downstairs showing the plans and could also be an opportunity for fundraising ideas/support from members.

5. Grant Application Update

Ian confirmed that the grant application deadline for Exeter City Council for the next round is 30th April. A presentation of our application can be made to the panel on 19th June, for which Tim (and other Trustees if available) could attend with Ian and/or Helen; with a final decision being made on 15* July. Tim, Mike and Ian met with Councillor John Winterbottom to make him aware of our plans and to influence where possible. Unfortunately Norman Shiel was unable to attend but Tim felt it was a positive meeting.