

EXMOOR PONY SOCIETY

Report from the Committee Meeting held on Friday, 28th June at the Moorland Hall, Wheddon Cross

Present:

MR D Brewer, Mr G Bryant, Mr T Hickman, Mr N Hill, Dr S Baker, Mrs G Langdon, Miss J McLaren, Mrs J Payne, Mrs C Phillips, Mr R Taylor and Mr D Wallace.

Mrs S Mansell (Treasurer) and Mrs S McGeever (Secretary) were also in attendance.

Mr Brewer opened the meeting at 11am and welcomed all Trustees and especially Mrs Payne who was attending her first meeting. He asked all Trustees to adhere to the agenda and not spend time revising the Trustees notes for example.

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Mrs F Dickson, Mrs V Lamb and Mrs A Nicholls (President).

2. Declaration of Interests and Loyalties/Confidentiality

In accordance with meeting protocol, the Trustees noted that they were obliged to make a declaration of interest should any matter discussed potentially affect them directly. It was also noted that under the Data Protection Act certain items discussed should remain confidential.

The following items were discussed:

The Minutes of the meeting on 3rd June 2019 were approved as an accurate reflection of the discussions and were duly signed by the Chair.

The Society continued to comply with the Minimum Operating Procedures for Passport Issuing Offices and the requirement to upload data to the Central Equine Database as well as complete all the necessary paperwork required if the UK became a third party country.

The Society continued to review its practices to ensure compliance with GDPR, Company Law and Charity Law and all appropriate filings had been carried out with due diligence.

Society and joint initiatives such as the Sweet Itch Project, Genome Project, Young Judge's Competition, Exmoor Pony Festival, the Breed Show, Show Affiliations and Pony of the Year continued to be progressed as well as the Centenary Celebrations.

The judges for the 2020 Breed Show and Pony of the Year were appointed and letters sent.

The Yearbook was discussed in detail and a timetable set for 2020.

It was agreed a review would take place on the current make-up of Areas and the method of appointing Area Representatives.

It was agreed a review of the website would take place.

The Trustees continued to monitor accounts and the use of legacy monies and donations to ensure that such funds were used to benefit the Society core aims and objectives.

In this regard, it was agreed that a meeting would be held to discuss the EPS's Future Strategy.