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Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Present:- Peter Bruce (PB ) Chair, Nigel Osborne (NO), Nigel Bond (NB), Joan Brame (JB), Lillas Haye (LHe), Lloyd Hughes (LHs), Linda Harper (LH) Secretary.

1. Welcome and apologies

PB welcomed all

Noted apologies received from Mike Kirkham

2. Previous Minutes

Agreed as an accurate account and can be posted on website.

3. Actions

Revisit Policies and procedures – Ongoing but no rush at present to take forward.  
Ongoing

Facebook survey to gauge interest from younger members still to be done. Ongoing

Posting events on facebook to gauge interest in external speakers. Ongoing

Star Partys – MK has been in contact with Ian Clarke to discuss. He has been asked to complete forms which previously the council would do. Ongoing

MK notified members of cancellation of meeting on 30/8/22. Complete

PC has emailed copy of membership application form to committee members for comment. No update on need to register with Office of Data Commissioner as PC not present. Ongoing

4. Finance

## Financial Update - 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022

General Account: £1,007.06

- Balance Last Update (21/08/2022): £857.06
- Outgoings
  - o (none)
- Income
  - o Membership (6 x £25.00): £150.00

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Cash: £133.60

- Coffee Pot: £58.60 (see below)
- Membership (3 x £25.00): £75.00

Liabilities: £120.79-

- CAS\* Grant – purchase equipment (laptop case): £12.79-
- Hawstead Hall Hire (24/08, 14/09 & 12/10): £108.00-

**Total: £1,019.87**

#### Coffee Pot

- Balance Last Update (21/08/2022): £35.70
- Takings: £32.90
- Mobile Data Usage for Presentation (Mike Kirkham): £10.00-

\*Community Action Suffolk - Suffolk Community Restart fund

### 5. Temporary move to Hawstead

The AGM was held on 14<sup>th</sup> September and members meetings will continue at Hawstead until mid November when they will resume at Whepstead on 23<sup>rd</sup> November. Members to be kept updated via 'whats app' and email.

### 6. Members Programme

NB updated the meeting on the members programme. Guest speakers confirmed for 9<sup>th</sup> November and 14<sup>th</sup> December meetings. This last date will also be the Xmas social and a quiz will follow the presentation. NO agreed to be quizmaster.

Matt Bothwell has now been confirmed as guest speaker on 29/3/23 and 26/4/23 with presentations on Dark Energy and Dark Matter followed by Gravitational Waves.

LHs has not spoken to his contact at Mildenhall as to whether he would be prepared to give a presentation on Astrophotography. NB advised that a new member Paul Foreman would be willing to present should original speaker James Dale not be available

### 7. Events- including AGM

a) AGM- was held on 14<sup>th</sup> September, well attended by 22 members and 6 guests.

b) Co-ordinating Star Partys – Although not confirmed for March 2023 there was discussion as to what was involved, what needed to be done. Agreed that once programme and speakers in place then other issues such as helpers, moving equipment, activities etc could be addressed. LHe agreed to lead but with help as no previous experience of SP.

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## 8. AOB

There was no other business.

Action Plan			
Page/Item	Action	Action by	Status
12/1/22 P1	Revisit and review existing policies and procedures.	All	Ongoing
20/4/22 P3	MK to ask PB to post to social media to try to gauge interest in a Children's group	MK	Ongoing
27/8/22 P2	Peter B to post events on Facebook to gauge interest when have guest speaker. MK to email him.	MK	Ongoing
27/8/22 P3	MK to liaise with Ian Clarke re Star Party March 2023	MK	Ongoing
23/8/22 P3	MK to notify members via 'whatsapp' and email of cancellation of meeting on 30/8/22	MK	Complete
23/8/22 P4	PC to email copy of membership application form to committee for comment and to investigate need to register with Office of Data Commissioner for GDPR	PC	Ongoing

