



Newbiggin Arts Centre

Annual General Meeting

10:00 Monday 20th September 2021
74B Front Street, Newbiggin-by-the-Sea, NE64 6QD



AGENDA

- **Legal Stuff**
- **Introduce Trustees & Committee Members**
- **Chair's Report**
- **Annual Report & Accounts**
- **Future of Newbiggin Arts Centre**
- **Retirement and Re-election of Trustees**
- **Questions & Answers**

LEGAL STUFF

- Newbiggin Arts Centre is a charity
- Charitable Incorporated Organisation with voting Members other than its charity trustees – ‘Association’ model *
- Not ‘Foundation’ model, whose only voting members are the charity trustees themselves
- Incorporated on 15th May 2015 as “Little Gem Art & Craft Gallery”
- On 1st October 2020 officially changed name to “Newbiggin Arts Centre” following vote at Trustees meeting on 29th September 2020
- Requires an annual AGM
- Excused in 2020 because of COVID restrictions

SEMI-LEGAL STUFF

- Because NAC is 'Association' model * only Trustees and Members should attend & be able to vote at AGM
- But we don't have any formal Members (other than Trustees)
- For transparency, we have invited all 'associate' members (you!)
 - but no formal voting rights
- Ask any questions, or make comments, about each slide at the end of each slide
- Trustees intend to implement a formal Membership (with annual/monthly membership fees), giving Members a right to access and use all our facilities and to vote at AGM
- Membership will not be mandatory; you will still be able to attend as 'associate' members and pay for each session – just like now!



TRUSTEES & COMMITTEE

Trustees

- Steve Wilkinson - Chair & Treasurer
- Sue Case - Secretary
- Valerie Hearn - Comms
- Keith Robson - Exhibitions
- Heather Peel - Fundraising
- Sue Nicholson - Hanging
- Fiona Rowley - Finance

Oversee / direct running of charity and vote on strategy and other decisions

Committee

- Diane Gough
- George Stoker *

* Being processed as Trustee

Running of charity

CHAIR'S REPORT

- Previous administration couldn't run charity properly
- New Trustees appointed August 2020
- Elected Steve as Chair
- Come a long way in one year
 - From a few art classes to a full community resource, integrated with the community
- Refurbished Gibson Street during Lockdown
- Leased and brought Front Street into operation
- Bought required equipment and materials
- All due to the grants which we have managed to obtain
 - COVID, Northumberland County Council, Coalfields, Newbiggin Town Council, Rothley, Catherine Cookson, Joicey, Sir James Knott, VCSE Digital, Lakes & Dales COOP



ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS

REPORT:

- We provide a space for artists to carry out their artistic work and to exhibit their work to the public. The Centre also hosts art clubs that are open to the public to join.
- Explained the impact of COVID
- Working with other local organisation

ACCOUNTS:

| | Year ending 31 Dec 2019 | Year ending 31 Dec 2020 | 2021 To Date |
|---------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Balance sheet | - £ 164 | £ 8,918 | £ 21,400 |
| Income | £ 7,841 | £ 18,631 | £ 39,779 |
| Expenditure | £ 9,489 | £ 9,549 | £ 25,358 |

FUTURE OF NEWBIGGIN ARTS CENTRE

- Expand scope
 - Pastels, pottery, ceramics, printing, digital,
 - Other arts; performing, music, dancing, writing, etc.
 - Working with the new Newbiggin Hub
- Newbiggin Arts Festival 2023
- Additional exclusive gallery for professional & local artists
- Full time gallery manager *
- Professional tuition and demonstrations *

* Subject to receiving grants from the Arts Council



RETIREMENT AND RE-ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

Constitution

13. Appointment of charity trustees

(2) At every annual general meeting of the members of the CIO, one-third of the charity trustees shall retire from office.

16. Reappointment of charity trustees

Any person who retires as a charity trustee by rotation is eligible for reappointment. A charity trustee who has served for three consecutive terms may not be reappointed for a fourth consecutive term, but may be reappointed after an interval of at least three years.

- Retiring Trustees:

- Sue Case
- Keith Robson
- Steve Wilkinson

- All offered for re-election



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ANY QUESTIONS?