



Village Bakers (VB) Committee Meeting: Agenda and Actions

Details

Date / Time: 31.3.21 / 19:00
Venue <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87428940399>
Chair: Kevin Sargent (KS)
Attended: Secretary - Gavin Deadman (GD)
 Treasurer - Steve Boardman (SB)
 Membership - Laura White (LW)
 Media - Liz Gibson (LG)
 Events - John Maines (JM)
Apologies: None

Agenda		Lead	
1.	Open and welcome to new committee members	KS	<p>KS provided an overview of Committee Meetings and how they go for the new and returning members.</p> <p>KS asked for feedback around the AGM, first time online. SB reported that it went well, disappointing about the numbers. KS wasn't too surprised about this, given the current situation (COVID). He commented that previously people would come along and share their bakes, they would simply be there for the AGM at the time as the usual social. LS agreed with this.</p>
2.	Membership	LW	No further updates
3.	Finance	SB	<p>£1860.19 total</p> <p>KS reported that we are in the process of transferring signatories to SB and LW. There were no objections from the committee about this. Anthony Jones and Jo Carne will be removed.</p>

4.	Events	KS/JM	<p>No major update apart from the AGM (short discussion as above). KS sought views from Committee about future events</p> <p>VB Picnic</p> <p>LW liked the idea. JM suggested looking into locations for this. SB suggested Sackville Gardens. KS suggested Peel Park, and JM explained that on a recent visit there were a number of places that a picnic could be held.</p> <p>KS explained how this would work given the current restrictions around the rule of 6 outside.</p> <p>KS suggested that the usual day of Sunday and 1pm time, perhaps in about 4 weeks.</p> <p>Cook-along-classes (not the VB lives, more group virtual cooking through Zoom)</p> <p>Discussion of the concept, but as we have the picnic, this may not need to be too urgent. However, KS said that he would tentatively look into feasibility. KS explained that the VB Lives and other online activities were good and this may similarly effective. LG explained that some people will be concerned about staying on camera so it will need to be explained that participants should be able to turn their camera off. LW also suggested that people will need to know about the event well in advance (to get ingredients, for example).</p> <p>Prides</p> <p>KS suggested that research into which local Pride events will be taking place and whether we will want to attend them and in what.</p> <p>KS asked the Committee about when we could look to having physical events after the restrictions. KS suggested no time before June when the restrictions are lifted. GRD suggested returning to the question in a couple of months. JM agreed with both of these points, and there was general consent to this approach.</p> <p>SB noted that Bake Off needs to be discussed at a future agenda. KS explained that it had previously been agreed that this event would be pushed back to the end of the year around the VB Birthday event</p>
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5.	Media	LG	<p>Next edition of the newsletter is in progress, LG had wanted to get it done, however there has been quite a lot on. There will be an interview included from VB member, Sakander Mahmood</p> <p>KS requested that there is a piece on the AGM and the new Committee Membership. LG confirmed that there is a section included</p> <p>LW mentioned that there has been activity on Facebook about member bakes, and that these could be included.</p> <p>KS mentioned that we will be including another recipe in the Gay Life Magazine</p>
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Actions: Includes previous actions	Status	Lead
Locations and possible dates for a Picnic to be scoped and investigated	Open	JM
Local pride events to be looked into – which ones are going ahead and which to attend	Open	JM/KS
Group to continue with VB live, posting recipes on social media, and virtual activities.	Open	All
A budget needs to be pulled together for a roll-banner	Open	KS
Molly House to be informed of our potential return	Closed	KS
Picture Round for the next Zoom social	Closed	GD
Committee to review new website and provide feedback	Closed	All
GD to print off membership letters	Closed	GD
2020 Events created to August. KS to share.	Closed	KS
LW reaching out to members on Facebook during lockdown	Closed	LW
All Committee Members to review strategy focus areas ready for agreement. Reviewed and agreed	Closed	All
Approach Sparkle organisers to look into brochure costs – Sparkle Cancelled	Closed	KS
Handover of Events Committee Member activities to take place	Closed	TW / LG
KS, TW and LG to meet and discuss with KS about what future events activity could include	Closed	KS/ TW / LG