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| **LOVER COMMUNITY TRUST (LCT)****Annual General Meeting 2024** |
| **Date:** Saturday 16th March | **Time:** 7.30pm | **Venue:** The Old School Building (OSB) |
| Present:Trustees: Graham Budworth, Dave Charles, Ali Clarke, Nick Gibbs, Peter Harper, Graham LeePlus 25 Members of the Trust Apologies: Elaine Clarke, Mar Copp, Rob Easton |
| **Welcome from the Chair** | The Chair, Nick Gibbs, welcomed members to the meeting. |
| **Chair’s Report** | The Chair presented his report, a copy of which is attached.  |
| **Treasurer’s Report** | The Treasurer, Peter Harper, presented his report covering the years to 31.12.2022 and 31.12.2023. A copy of his report, along with the financial statement for the year, is attached. |
| **Lover Green Report** | The Chair of Lover Green Subcommittee set out the remit for the Lover Green Sub-committee, explaining that they were responsible for maintaining the Green and not for organising the events that took place thereon.She then gave a presentation illustration the work undertaken over the year. |
| **Election of Trustees** | Graham Budworth, Dave Charles and Rob Easton resigned by rotation (as required by the constitution), and had indicated that they were willing to stand for re-election.The remaining trustees Mar Copp, Alison Clarke, Elaine Clarke, Nick Gibbs, Peter Harper and Graham Lee had all indicated their willingness to continue to serve as trustees.There being no other nominations, the meeting duly confirmed all the above as trustees for a further year.  |
| **Resolutions** | No resolutions had been put forward. |
| **AOB** | In response to an invitation from the Chair for any further comments or questions:* One member expressed concern that the proposal to run a café on Saturdays would lead to increased traffic and nuisance to residents in nearby properties. The Treasurer explained that the aim was to focus on local customers, many of whom would walk or cycle to the School. This was in contrast to bigger annual events such as the Garage Sale and Country Fayre which bought in customers from a wider catchment area and had a more significant impact on traffic. The Chair re-iterated the Trust’s ‘Good Neighbours’ policy, stressing that some impact was inevitable if we are to hold events in the School and on the Green. The intention was to limit any disruption to what could reasonably be expected by someone living at the centre of a vibrant community.
* The Treasurer was asked to assess the financial impact of discontinuing the annual Lover Country Fayre. He explained that this had generated anywhere between £2000 to £3000 per year. However, following the recent formation of the Events Committee, it was hoped to generate a similar amount through an expanded programme of smaller, locally focused events which would be less burdensome to organise.

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| **Conclusion of Meeting** | Following the conclusion of the formal business of the meeting refreshments were served. |
| **Date of Next Meeting** | Meeting of the Trustees: Wednesday 10th April @ 10.30 am at the Old School Building  |