



## BIGGLESWADE COMMUNITY GROUP

### Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Held on Tuesday 31 March 2026 at 7pm At Beaumont Park Care Home, Biggleswade and also via Zoom

**Present:** Alan Dansey, Paula Dansey, Neil Spencer, John Robertson, Sheila Beard, Iris Bull, Margaret Curry

#### 1 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies

#### 2 Welcome

Neil took the Chair and welcomed members to the meeting. Alan and Paula joined the meeting on Zoom.

#### 3 To Note List of Trustees

- Alan Dansey
- Paula Dansey
- John Robertson
- Neil Spencer
- Iris Bull
- Sheila Beard
- Margaret Curry

#### 4 To Note List of Partners

Partners are:

- Future Action Biggleswade
- Biggleswade Good Neighbours
- Biggleswade Community Garden
- Ivel Valley School
- The BIGG Theatre
- Biggleswade Community Carnival Group
- Biggleswade Community Safety Group
- Preen Community Interest Company

#### 5 To Review the Constitution

Amendments to the Constitution were highlighted, discussed and the reviewed version was adopted. Thanks were expressed to Alan for formatting those changes.

**Action**

## **6 Roles for 2026/2027**

- Chair – Neil Spencer
- Treasurer – Alan Dansey
- Secretary - Margaret Curry
- Newsletter Editor – Alan Dansey
- Publicity Officer – Alan Dansey

Noted that should the Treasurer role evolve into something more than at present, Alan would prefer to give up this role.

## **7 Activities**

The main activity of the Group is the monthly Newsletter, for which a vote of congratulations was made to Alan. The Newsletter is very well received by the people of Biggleswade and beyond.

The coach trip and coffee morning that have taken place in previous years did not take place during 2025.

It was proposed that, rather than organising our own coffee morning, the Group could attend coffee mornings alongside other organisations, such as The BIGG Theatre and local churches.

Various coach trips are organised by local coach companies and it was suggested that these are highlighted in the Newsletter to encourage people to consider.

**AD**

## **8 Accounts**

Accounts were circulated and are very straightforward. It was agreed that no in depth accounts were needed, other than the bank statement.

## **9 Reports**

The Chair's report had been circulated prior to the meeting and all Trustees were in support. Alan will add this to the website.

Alan attended a seminar recently about becoming a Community Interest Company and will pass on information from that to the Trustees, although it does not seem necessary to change our organisation at present.

**AD**

## **10 Any Other Business**

- Noted that the Newsletter has a full complement of delivery people at the moment, mostly Biggleswade Good Neighbour Volunteers, and is very well received.