

Beeston Community Resource CIO Trustees

Notes from the Trustees' meeting held Friday 4th April 2025, 2.42 – 4.13pm

Attendance:

Duncan Mitchell (chair), Sylvia Stephens, Chris Taylor, Martin Brasier (minutes), Val Curry, with Robert Ashford.

Administration:

Work on next year's business plan will begin shortly, with the aim of having it completed by the end of April. The business plan incorporates the budget, and sets out our objectives for the year (as well as re-stating our overall aims and objectives). One of our goals for next year is to improve and enhance the kitchen facilities.

Finance:

We are now at the end of your financial year, so the year's income and expenditure can be reviewed. The overall picture is good:- we had considerable success in attracting grant income, and room hire income also increased. We have been able to replenish our reserves after a difficult period, and avoid cash flow issues. Next year's budget, which is now being finalised, was also reviewed.

Operations:

The meeting room has benefited from some new furniture, purchased with a donation made by Derbyshire NHS.

May 2nd (from 11am to 2pm) was confirmed as the date of our 10th Anniversary celebration. Some magicians have been booked to do a show, and there will be some taster sessions, a half-hour film (*Lisa Hears Voices*), Strummers, and others (to be confirmed). The event will include a buffet.

The Volunteer celebration event will be on July 18th. More details to follow.

Staffing:

Trustees welcomed the appointment of Renée Foster, our new mental health support worker. She started work on 1st April. Her normal hours will be from Monday to Wednesday.

Funding:

We have already made significant progress towards obtaining grants to support all the Centre's work and activities for the coming year, but due to inflation and other increased costs, our target for grant income will be higher than was set for last year.