

Royal British Legion
Falkland Islands Branch
Committee Meeting Minutes

1st April 2022

Agenda Item:	Actions:
Present: Chris Locke, Nancy Locke, Keith Biles, Bob French, Tim Mean, Jenny Clarke, Mark Brook, John & Sarah Maskell Bott, Becky Rees	
Apologies: Richard Hyslop, Tamsin Harris	
Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes were signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.	
Matters Arising: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Poppy Drape – outstanding action on NL2. Chair - Lara has sent an email with a suggestion of the best company. A generic chair would be sufficient but owned by RBL (like the wheelchair)3. Stafford installation – not heard anything further4. Conference – CL booked in for virtual conference	Nancy Locke Chris Locke Chris Locke
Chairman's Report: <p>Welcomed John and Sarah calling in from Montevideo (stents fitted today) also congratulated Becky Rees on both gaining PRP and her promotion.</p> <p>Dan Barton SWG project – Dan is planning to visit the Falklands 19-25 May with his son Luke and Air Cadet Lucy. Dan had proposed setting up the installation over the weekend 21-22 May however 21st is Landing Day so all effort will be focused on Sunday 22nd. Dan's visit makes the installation easier in terms of deciding a venue, as we can be lead by him. However CL made it clear that we don't have the resources to place an installation away from a road and that Sappers Hill is favourite at the moment.</p>	

<p>Tea Dance – With the opening up of the Islands post 4th May along with a Tea Dance on 10th April for Dementia Action Week and CL's commitment to bowling in preparation for Commonwealth Games, a decision to cancel this year's Tea Dance has been made.</p> <p>Phyl Rendall Chair of the 40th Committee, has approached the Branch to consider auctioning a bottle of whiskey at the Poppy Ball. JM-B thinks the Branch should do this. TM asked where it would fit in the evening. NL said she was uncomfortable raising money at our charity event and the Members Handbook (5b page 39) says we can't during the Poppy Appeal.</p> <p>CL said it could be a possibility at the Poppy Ball if we auctioned the bottle for the RBL and thus not raising funds for FVF or SAMA. Alternatively the auction could be held outside the Poppy Appeal dates. CL said he would report this back to the 40th Committee.</p> <p>Noted: Payment to The Fighting Pig has not been received yet by Pet King who provided the band at the Poppy Ball.</p>	<p>Nancy to cancel Town Hall booking</p> <p>Chris Locke</p>
<p>Vice-Chairman's report:</p> <p>The 40th Anniversary pins have arrived by post and are in Saddle Direct, Pro-Install, Gilbert House and with Tony Duckett (CWO) at MPC. They are selling well.</p> <p>Extra 20 x A and 20 x B wreaths have been received. Lots of stock now available and requests are beginning to come through.</p>	
<p>Treasurer's Report:</p> <p>Will double check statements for payment to Fighting Pigs invoice for Poppy Ball will also check donation payment for a bed mattress sold by S&JM-B.</p> <p>BR will take over the issue with Jacob Riddle/Bank re mandate.</p>	<p>Becky Rees</p> <p>Becky Rees</p>
<p>Secretary's Report:</p> <p>Apologies from Tamsin who is sledging with huskies in Sweden. NL will draft a note of condolence to Jan Parke on the recent death of Jim, the family have been</p>	

supporters at the Poppy Ball for many years.	Nancy Locke
Welfare Report: Nothing to report.	
Membership: TM to meet up with Maeve Daly Llamosa to catch up on how the membership works. Alex McShane can't get accepted on line as a member. KB did a bank transfer to join on line – the online system doesn't work down here. JMB used skype.	Tim Mean
AOB: Richard has been very busy attending many 40 th anniversary events. BF would like tickets for 14 th June event. MB – Landing Day – open the bar on Saturday afternoon BR – sensible measures for Covid, hand sanitizer and list of attendees.	
Date and time of the next meeting: Friday 6 th May – 5.30pm Falklands, 21.30 UK time. Before the Bingo Night	