**THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION**

 **Roade and District Branch**

 **Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on the 4th July, 2022**

**Attendance** Major P. Fleming (President**) -** Mr. M. McCafferty (Chair) – Mr. J. Bretherton (Vice Chair/Standard Bearer) - Miss B. Rainbow (Secretary) – Mrs. A. Freund (Treasurer) Mrs. S. Gardner (Membership Secretary) - Mr. & Mrs. Davies - Mr. Waddington

 Mr. M. Smith

**Apologies** *Mr. I. Lloyd – Mrs. S. Kitchen – Mr. S. Collins*

 *The Chair opened the meeting by saying the act of homage.*

**Minutes** Minutes of the last meeting held on the 9th May, 2022 were agreed and signed as a True Record of that meeting. Proposed by Mr. Bretherton and seconded by

 Mr. Davies that these be adopted - ***carried***

***Matters***

***Arising*** *As Mr. McCafferty, Chair was not at the last meeting he just wanted to say a few words with regards to the sad news of the resignations of the Secretary and*

 *Membership Secretary, Miss Rainbow and Mrs. Gardner. He went on to thank them for their loyal and valuable service and also their commitment over the many years to the Branch and that they will be sadly missed.*

*This sentiment was endorsed by the President, Major Fleming.*

**Secretary's Report**

**and Correspondence**

None

**Chairman’s**

**Correspondence**

*Various*

*Correspondence*

After numerous letters and e-mails the powers at London have now confirmed our findings that the Roade & District Branch was officially formed on the 18th July 1922

so, this makes the Branch 100 years old and the necessary insignia has been purchased and attached to our standard.

An e-mail has been received in respect of the Community Hubs giving the dates for the Northampton Area at Sixfields Stadium from 4th July until 5th December and the Bridge in Gold Street from the 6th July to 7th December.

E-mails have been received in respect of the upgrade of the RBL Branch/County Website system which has now gone live.

An e-mail has been received from Kevin Tobin asking for a list of our events for 2023. We will obviously let them know when we know.

The Chair then gave our details in respect of the Remembrance Dinner. The caterer will be Martin Brown: -

 2 Course Meal – waitress service £22.00

 3 Course Meal – waitress service £25.00

 Every table will have a cheese platter

 Based on 64 people attending - 2 course £1408

 3 course £1600

 Hire of room with bar for 4 hours £ 120

 This work out at 2 course £27.00

 3 course £30.00

 **It was agreed to go with the 3 Course meal**

Mrs. Sue Kitchen has offered to take on the role of Secretary but would like to shadow Miss Rainbow up until Christmas and then take over in the new year.

**Treasurers**

**Report** The Treasurer confirmed that we had £1836.04 in our deposit account in London and £2280.12 in our current account as at 30th June 2022. A copy of the Accounts was handed round to the Committee.

The Treasurer stated that the forms have been altered again in respect of the audit which is very confusing.

**Membership**

**Report** It was confirmed that we have 75 members now.

**Any Other**

**Business**

**Jubilee**  It was agreed that the turn out for the Jubilee Celebrations was very impressive particularly the crowd at the Beacon Lighting on the Thursday evening and the Tombola Stall on the Sunday which was a joint venture with Roade & Quinton Old Folks Fund which we raised over £400.00 despite the weather.

**Day Trip** The Trip to Windsor went off extremely well. The stop at Henley-on-Thames

 first was interesting as it was the day of the Regatta. An official letter to be sent

to Bills Coaches who looked after our party so well. We will certainly use them again. The driver was extremely helpful.

**Membership**

**Secretary** Mrs. Freund has offered to take over the role of Membership Secretary from Mrs. Sue

 Gardner

**Next**

**Meeting The next meeting to take place on the 4th September, 2022** **at 7.00** at Cripps House, The Ridings.

 Mr. & Mrs. Davies tendered their apologies for the above meeting.

Meeting terminated at 19.45 pm Signed …………………………. (Chair)