Royal British Legion

Falkland Islands Branch

Committee Meeting Minutes.

3rd July 2017.

Present: Chris Locke (Chairman)
Mark Brook (Vice-Chairman)
Keith Biles (Secretary)
Annie Bailey (Treasurer)
Bob French

Apologies for Absence: John & Sarah Maskell-Bott, Pam Budd, Wendy Shelbourne.

1. The draft minutes of the committee meetings on 12th June 2017 were confirmed.

2. Matters arising:
   - The furtherance of relations with Santiago Branch is pending.
   - We await a formal approach to CBF re. President position.
   - The finalisation of the Encroachment Order is pending.

3. Chairman's Report:
   - A letter has been received from Susan Whatmore regarding the application for a Standard Bearer to be present at the Remembrance service: the application is being processed; accommodation and travel expenses are down to the Branch, and we await clarification from Bob as to his preferred travel and accommodation arrangements. Up to £50 for catering expenses on site during the Saturday rehearsals will be available.
   - A meeting has been held with Carl Stroud of the Malvina House Hotel re Poppy Ball. This year the event will only be in the Town Hall on the 10th November. Supply of food has been quoted at £35 per head.
   - Tickets for the Remembrance Service in the Albert Hall are available and members will be advised.
   - Wreaths were laid at the Liberation day ceremony, with the Poppy Inn open after. A group of walkers from UK raising funds for the Para supporters were entertained.

4. Vice-Chairman's report:
   - No further wreath orders have been received.
   - FIDF Assoc. logo is to be sent to HO to be included in their standard stock of inserts for wreaths.

5. Secretary's Report: There were no items to report.

6. Treasurer's Report:
   - There are still some debtors for wreaths supplied to be chased up.
   - £373 has been received from the Bar for the Poppy Appeal account.
   - The draft accounts and returns will be available for the next meeting.

7. Any Other Business:
    - There will be a Government House reception after the Poppy Ball , as usual.
    - Corporate Sponsors for prizes at the Poppy Ball are to be sought.
    - John Birmingham has applied for the necessary Licences for the Poppy Ball.

8. Next Meeting:

    The next committee meeting will be on Monday 7th August at 18.30 in the Poppy Inn pre the Branch meeting .

Keith Biles.
Secretary.