



**FRIENDS OF EAST MEON SCHOOL PTA**  
**AGM MEETING MINUTES**  
**DATE: WEDNESDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2024**  
**TIME: 15.40**  
**LOCATION: THE LODGE**

**Attendees**

Committee –  
Sofie Blood – Chair (SB)  
David Lewin – Treasurer (DL)  
Sharon Dobson – Vice Treasurer (SD)  
Emily Rich – Village Co-ordinator (ER)  
Anna Olliffe – Online Communications (AO)  
Paula Bothwell – Secretary (PB)  
Sarah Round – PTA Member (SR)  
Gemma Griffiths – PTA Member (GG)

Other attendees –  
Jane Cobley  
Cat Olver  
Rudi Bettles-Hall  
Stephanie Perkins  
Kezia Lambton  
Eva Griffiths  
Kimberley Fyfield  
Samantha Stephens  
Hazel Bettles-Hall  
Trudi Dawes  
Rebecca Pepper  
Sarah Martin

Apologies: Jess Hext-Harvey (JH), Mia Burlington (MB)

- 1) Chair's Address  
SB opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.
- 2) Chair's Report  
SB read out her report which is attached to these minutes where it can be read in full.
- 3) Treasurer's Report  
DL presented his report, which is attached to these minutes and can be read in full.  
He talked through the figures for the year 23/24.

DL suggested the idea of retaining a reserve in the account in the event that the PTA does not exist or loses enough members that it cannot run efficiently. The suggested amount of £5,000 was agreed by all as this would offer sufficient funds to support the school for a period of time. This will be moved into a separate area of the main account.

This leaves a sum of £2,750 that can be used for current requests.

4) Headteacher's Report

CO presented her report which can be found attached to these minutes. She confirmed that the relationship between the PTA and the school is in a strong position moving forward.

DL mentioned the recent Amazon Wishlist that was sent out via social media. This has seen the school in receipt of gifts worth £600 from locals, ex-pupils and current members of the school community. It has been a fantastic response.

5) Elections

SB stated that we would need to re-elect members of the current committee to continue for 24/25.

**The following have offered to stand and have been re-elected-**

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| Sofie Blood – Chair               | ALL AGREED |
| David Lewin – Treasurer           | ALL AGREED |
| Sharon Dobson – Vice-Treasurer    | ALL AGREED |
| Emily Rich – Village Co-ordinator | ALL AGREED |
| Gemma Griffiths – PTA Member      | ALL AGREED |
| Sarah Round – PTA Member          | ALL AGREED |
| Jess Hext-Harvey – PTA Member     | ALL AGREED |
| Mia Burlington – PTA Member       | ALL AGREED |

**The following has offered to take on a new role –**

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| Paula Bothwell – Secretary | ALL AGREED |
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**The following has joined the PTA -**

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| Rudi Bettles-Hall – PTA Member | ALL AGREED |
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6) Question and Answers

- i) A question was asked about the MUFTI / bottle donation day planned for Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October. This has now been moved to 19<sup>th</sup> November to work alongside the anniversary celebrations.
- ii) A visiting panto is booked for 18<sup>th</sup> December. More details will follow.
- iii) DL mentioned that the fundraising needs to be co-ordinated across the three main groups in the village; PTA/school, village hall and church. He stated the importance of working together and the possibility of joining up for events and sharing profits to benefit all. DL represents all three groups so is able to ensure communication across the three areas.

7) Meeting Adjourned

SB declared the meeting adjourned. Thanks to all for attending.

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