MINUTES OF 7th AGM MEETING OF FRIENDS OF STOWMARKET LUBRARY HELD ON 12th MAY 2017 at 7.30 IN THE LIBRARY

Present: Diane Tarrant (in the Chair) Ursula Scott

Graham Harris Pat Welland
David Welland Frances Law

Brian Matthews

Mr & Mrs Rehahn Mr & Mrs Baldwin

Linda Pattle

Apologies: Jack Norman, Nigel Rozier

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Minutes of the last meeting were agreed

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurers report is attached. US spoke of the income streams during the year and book sales both in the library and on Amazon. She told the meeting of donations and purchases by FSL. US confirmed that FSL donated £564 to Suffolk Libraries to pay for free Internet access which is well used, bringing a lot of people into the branch.

Chairman's Report:

DT spoke of the events held in the last year, garage book sales, two visits from the Owl Sanctuary, a quiz night, Simply Brass opening the Reading Game, Reading Game presentation with produce stalls, bric-a-brac, Christmas 'Lights Switch on' with crafts for children in order to encourage them into using the library. US mentioned other odations from our local Councillors, Rotary Club, The Town Council and Felsham Book group.

Matters Arising:

- The entire Committee stood down, and were proposed and re-elected. There was no interest from any new members in joining the Committee
- Confirmation of Simply Brass, the Reading Game for bouncy castle, Green Tokens, mobile/laptop workshop were all carried forward to the next meeting
- The children's workshop event in the half term was confirmed

- PW stated that she had contacted the Project Officer of Groundworks (Tesco Bags of Help) to see if our project was suitable and this was confirmed. She produced a lengthy document of guidance and she and US would get together to see if we could apply for funding for a cleanup of the courtyard.
- A microwave has been purchased for staff. DK is investigating whether a coffee machine would be viable

Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Committee would be held on 29th June at 4pm in the library.

The chairman thanked everyone for coming, and the meeting closed at 7.42pm.

14 May 2017