

Minutes from general meeting on 26th November 2018

1. Present: Sharon Minter, Catherine Hesmer, Karen Swift, Mark Andrews
2. Apologies: Wendy Andrews, Paul Minter, Joan Hesmer
3. No new conflicts of interest declared
4. Sharon Minter and Karen Swift agreed the minutes from the last meeting.
5. The way forward for Special Kids Bexhill – We have decided to stay as the 3 trustees as we are all equally committed to the charity and share the work load evenly.
6. Shiplu night will be in February 2019
Bingo night raised £390 and the Mayor of Bexhill attended
ASDA Eastbourne collection raised £310.05
There is a sponsored walk on the 27th April 2019 all permits have been agreed
We are sorting another night for Bingo in March 2019
We bought our own mascot called Bob, which worked well at the ASDA collection.
We have a Body shop party booked for January 2019.
The Raffle page continues to do well, we have currently raised over £5000 since February 2018
Hannah Rogers, Lorraine Doswell and Ashley Doswell will be running the Hastings Half marathon in 2019 in aid of us
7. We have heard we have been successful with our grant application to Sussex Community Foundation for £4982.85.
We will be applying to the Big Lottery Fund in January 2019
We received £500 from The Royal Sovereign Ladies (Masonic Charities) Association.
The 'Buddies' group donated £72.50 to us which was proceeds from their accessories swap.
8. We have done coach trips to London and Chessington, we will be doing Chessington at Halloween again and we will look at doing something different for a Christmas trip next year, not London. Tenterden railway

Santa express, Lapland uk, bedgbury and rare breeds have been suggested and will be looked into.

All activities are filling up much more quickly due to lots of new members.

The panto for 2019 we will be adding more seats but this will cost us £500 for one extra row of 22 seats.

Less of each activity but more variety though the year is working well.

9. Sammie Taylor stepped down as trustee since last meeting

We are planning another Parent/Carer Target sports next year

10. The next meeting is on 21st January 2019 7.30pm at 1 Constable way, Bexhill TN40 2UH