

GROSMONT EVENTS

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2025 IN THE NAVE OF ST NICHOLAS CHURCH AT 6.30pm

1. Attendance

Present: Gill Clark and Jo Whitaker (co-chairs)
Alison Brown, Richard Brown, Jan Chatfield, Stuart Chatfield, Jo
Chatt, Martin Chatt, Gaynor Henshall, Andrew North, Lynne Potter,
Mark Potter, Jean Price, Helen Raywood, Andy Stumpf, Michele
Villers, Mark Whitaker and Dave Whiting

Apologies: Mary Bartlett, Hannah Cowan, Jo Hampson, Chloë H-M, Amanda
Phillips and Emma Louise Sinnott

2. Minutes

The minutes of the 2024 AGM, held on 15 November 2024, were approved.

3. Chair's Report

Jo gave the report on behalf of the co-chairs. Her report noted that there had been an event or activity almost every month and these included:

- Carols around the Christmas tree;
- Moving all of the group's equipment from the Town Hall in preparation for the renovations to the building;
- Easter Egg hunt;
- May Day breakfast;
- Open Gardens;
- Produce Show (staged by a sub-group);
- Skittles (with amazing free food);

Thanks were given to:

- The Church, for use of the Nave for a number of events;
- Volunteers, noting that none of the events could have taken place without them.

4. Finance Report

Richard Brown presented the annual accounts which were noted. For the year, there was a surplus of £531.

Martin Chatt had reviewed the accounts and those of previous year. Martin had said: "I have checked and reconciled the accounts, and to the best of my knowledge, they reflect an accurate view of the transactions during the year and the balances at the year end."

Thanks were given to Martin and Alex Minford (for his previous work reviewing the accounts).

This concluded the review of 2024.

5. Elections

a) Chair

In taking the chair for his item, Lynne Potter thanked the committee for their hard work over the year which had brought fun, joy and pleasure to the village, ably supported by a group of volunteers.

Gill Clark and Jo Whitaker were nominated by Jean Price as co-chairs. They accepted the nomination and advised that they would undertake the rôle for one year.

b) Secretary
Emma Louise Sinnott was elected.

c) Treasurer
Richard Brown was elected.

d) Committee members
The following joined the committee:

- Mary Bartlett
- Alison Brown
- Jan Chatfield
- Jo Chatt
- Martin Chatt
- Amanda Phillips
- Jean Price
- Jo Hampson
- Mark Whitaker

Those standing down from the committee were thanked for their contribution.

It was noted that anyone could attend a committee meeting. The next meeting was scheduled for 7pm on Wednesday 19 November in The Angel.

6. **Other business**

Points raised by attendees included:

- Whether people who have moved into the village recently could be encouraged to join the WhatsApp volunteers' group;
- Free events were successful, and it was good that some events could be funded from surpluses at paid events;
- The optimum level of reserves: some events had relatively high level of up-front costs;
- Whether other projects could be funded such as a play area. The purchase of some equipment was being considered including a cadac;
- St David's Day: a funding request had been made. Some events being considered could run without funding.