

Visual Art at the heart of Shropshire, Telford, and Wrekin

Minutes of the VAN Meeting held 2pm 13th February 2025 at 30 Sutton Grove

Present: (PL) Phil Langstaff, (JG) Julie Goldthorpe, (DT) Dave Thompson, (RL) Reg Lewis, (AW) Alison Wragg

Item#	Item	Action	Ву
1.	Apologies:	Pat Simon and Janice Gill	ALL
2.	Declarations of Interest	None	ALL
3.	Minutes of the meeting held 16 th January 2025	Signed as correct by the Chair	PL
4.	Matters arising from the minutes:		
	• Drop in date.	PL to action	PL
	Web building workshops.	 PL liaising with Jonathan Thaw - still waiting to hear on a date 	PL
	• Schools colouring competition.	 In progress - Gisella and Colin have contacted local schools awaiting feedback 	JG
		- Decision to be made esta	10
	 Enamelling workshop – limited interest may be cancelled. 	 Decision to be made as to whether this will go ahead or not 	PL
	• Sale	• Carried forward - PL to do a report	PL
	• Labels being printed.	 Owen looking at it but more difficult than first thought PL liaising 	PL
	Working Groups	 See Item 6 PL has had some 	PL
	 Carola Fielden – request for gallery space for Paul Tims – one of her students with mental health problems. 	• response but still awaiting images	PL
	 Trixi Hill – What's App group now created only few signed up. 	 JG will ask Trixi to send out an email to all volunteers to tell them about it the WA group 	JG
	 Made in Shropshire – We have been offered a stall in August. 	All pleased	ALL
	• Volunteer Gallery Checklist to improve procedures during volunteer sessions.	• See Item 8	AW

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	List reviewed and further items added		
9.	 Any Other Urgent Business John Ball asked about Artist in Residence possibility in the gallery. Agreed it would need to be open to all. 	 DT to email all members to see if any other interest in doing this. 	DT
	 It was noticed by a new member that we don't advertise that we are a charity. It was discussed how we can rectify this. 	 PL to see if sign can be created in the gallery window- speak to Gisella JG suggested sign behind till area – PL to create 	PL PL
	 Discussion about number of member renewals and actual volunteers in the gallery. 	 JG to check non renewals contact list and send to trustees PL to delete Bank Details of members on the list 	JG PL
	• Some of the strip lights not working in the gallery.	 PL will address with his son 	PL
	 Email storage very high needs to be addressed to clear out any old emails prior to 2020. 	AW as Secretary to action	AW
10.	Date of next meeting: • 13 th March 2025		

Annex A: Treasurer's Report for Trustees Meeting