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Annual Members' Meeting for Jan.–Dec. 2019

18 May 2020

Virtual meeting (due to COVID-19)



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Zoom housekeeping

- keep your microphone muted unless you're speaking
- raise hand or use chat if you want to ask questions
- there will be time for questions after each report
- feel free to ask for repeats if the audio quality is too bad



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Welcome

- Thank you for coming to our annual meeting for members:
 - Stallholders
 - Local residents
 - Volunteers
- Our volunteer management committee report back to you about 1 Jan. to 31 Dec. 2019



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The committee 2019/20

Venina Bland (res)

Frederik Ferner (res)

Ruthi Brandt (res)

Rune Lyngsoe (res)

Jules Coates (res)

Will Mankelow (sta)

Martha Crockatt (res)

Officers were:

- Frederik chair
- Rune treasurer
- Ruthi vice-chair
- Kat Luddecke company secretary, membership administrator
- Dave Homfray (not on committee) H&S Officer, with Jules H&S rep on committee

We need more people for 2020/21 to help share the work ⊕



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Members' vote: minutes of last AMM

Members are asked to agree the following as a correct record of the meeting held on 20 May 2019:

 Draft minutes of East Oxford Farmers' & Community Market Annual Members Meeting for 2018 and Special Meeting (to change the Rules)



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Chair's report – Frederik

- Committee meet 6 times during 2019
- Finding dates for quorate meeting has been challenging
- One meeting was not quorate so only informal discussions happened.



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Chair's report (ctd.)

Biggest change maybe – veg stalls:

- Mark Stevenson (The Clays) had to step back from our market - it was getting a bit much for him.
- Welcome to Matt Dale on the new veg stall (Coleshill Organics).



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Chair's report (ctd.) - 2020

COVID-19 - Huge thanks for everyone involved for making the market continue through this:

- All committee members
- All volunteers: regular and new
- East Oxford Primary School for continued access.



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H&S report – Jules

No accidents in the accident book for the year. Elise and I began to follow a process for keeping the market safe in bad weather; strong winds can badly affect the outdoor stalls, particularly those under gazebos.

I began to write up guidance for training new market managers and to introduce them to the site.



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Market Co-ordinator Report - Elise





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- The number of new stall enquiries has been good with a reasonable number of new stalls.
- The market has been full every 3rd Saturday and some other Saturdays, which has meant expanding in to the playground.
- Expanding in to the playground involves moving the veg stall and a couple of other stalls.



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Stall Changes: Staples

- The Clays Organic Market Garden left; fruit & veg
- Coleshill Organics took over from The Clays; fruit & veg
- The Curiosities Company Ltd new; dried cured bacons
- Mighty Pie Co new; artisan traditional hand made pies
- Bibury Trout Farm & Poulton Hill Estate market regular Bibury bought by Poulton vineyeard; now sells trout and wine



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Stall Changes: Takeaways

- Oxford Delhi taking a break; Indian takeaway
- Pindys new; Indian takeaway
- Simply Foods 2 Go taking a break; Filipino takeaway
- Transylvanian Cake new; left for family reasons; eastern European chimney cakes
- Vicky Lauren Deserts new; cakes
- Tuga Pastries new, Portuguese custard tarts
- Fateer new; Middle Eastern sweet treats



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Stall Changes: Café

- Patsy's Pop-up Cafe originally Patsy's Cakes & Jams takeaway, tried café, left
- Joby's Kitchen left
- Blissful Italian Café takeaway, stepped in to cover café gaps
- Raffaele Pepe Café takeaway, stepped in to cover café gaps
- The Pizza Boys Bicester Café takeaway, moved to regular café slot
- Celia's Café takeaway, moved to regular café slot



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Stall Changes: Non-Food 1/2

- Leafology new; vegan handmade skincare & haircare
- Pull the Plastic new; non-plastic biodegradable & recyclable household alternatives, toiletries, makeup
- Emily Carrington Freeman new; handmade notebooks
- Stone Pine Design new; fine art cards
- Littlemore Candle Company new; hand-poured soy wax candles



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Stall Changes: Non-Food 2/2

- Sheepish new; hand knitted & crocheted garments, yarns, patterns
- Jayne's Homemade Emporium new; glass etched lamps, paper crafts, beauty products
- Arrow & Heart Jewellery Designs new; handmade jewellery from recycled silver
- Hand-Made Macramé and products new;
 macramé plant holders, Aloe Vera gel, airplants



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Social Media

- Social media posts reaching a wider audience
- More people are liking and sharing
- More stallholders liking, sharing, and mentioning
- Boosted posts for Xmas markets have reached a wider audience



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Christmas Markets

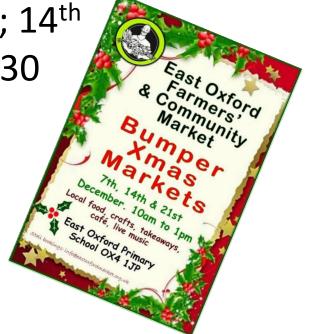
Only three Saturdays in December: 7th, 14th, 21st so one Saturday less than most years

• Stall numbers: 7th December = 24; 14th

December = 23; 21st December = 30

Increased interest from non-food stalls

 Xmas tree stallholder unable to make the market





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There's a great choice of Xmas gifts at the market TOMORROW with jewellery, cards, plant holders, books, and much more. Gates open from



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East Oxford Farmers' & Community Market October 26, 2019 · Q

Don't fancy cooking. Why not pick up some delicious home-cooked food rom our selection of takeaways at the market TODAY. Open from 10am



East Oxford Farmers' & Community Market

Reduce plastic at the market TOMORROW with SESI refill and Pull the Plastic - dried foods, household detergents, soaps, re-usable cups & containers travel, toiletries & makeup! Gates open 10am





Stock up on all the staples at the market TODAY. Open from 10am!









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Volunteer co-ordinator's report

Saturday volunteers

- 17 volunteers, 84.5 filled shifts
 @1.5 hours
- More unfilled shifts and fewer volunteers than past years
- 1–22 shifts each, average 5 a year
- 127 hours = £1k+ @£8ph
- New volunteers in 2020 for Covid

THANK YOU

Other volunteers

- Managers are now paid £20 a shift so not counted
- Management committee, 6 meetings & emails est. £1k
- Not counting work outside meetings, e.g. H&S, repairs, AMM, promotion etc.
 - Plus: chair, treasurer, company secretary (35.5h), membership admin (16.5h) and volunteer co-ordinator (20h)



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Membership report (1)

- Key benefits remain have a say and a vote!
- It's £5 to join and £5 a year renewal fee
- Not enough (volunteer) time to do more
- We remove members from register due to:
 - 1) having lost contact, or 2) actively resigning
- Follow 2018 membership strategy



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Membership report (2)

- End of 2018: 96 total (of which 56 paid up)
- Renewals during 2019: 49 paid up, 3 honorary members with fees waived = 52 total
- New during 2019: 13 (all paid up)
- Left in 2019: 4 active resignations, 12 not paid up for two years, 1 passed away = 17 total
- Leaves end of 2019: 92 total (of which 65 paid up)



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Treasurer's report – Rune

[Full report to come]

Note: in line with FCA requirements, a copy of the Profit & Loss Account and the Balance Sheet will be printed out and signed (in duplicate) by the secretary and two committee members of the society acting on behalf of the society's committee



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Members' vote: auditor

Committee asks you to agree the following:

 The members exercise their power and decide to allow the society not to undertake a full professional audit for the year of account in question (in accordance with section 84 of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014).



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Members' vote: new committee

- Venina Bland (res/vol)
- Ruthi Brandt (res/vol)
- Julian Coates (res/vol)
- Martha Crockatt (res)

- Rune Lyngsoe (res/vol)
- William Mankelow (res/vol/sta)
- Any others?

Notes:

looking for new
 members – and
 managers too ☺

We need a new
Company Secretary

Membership
Administrator



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Any other business?