

# IRONBRIDGE & SEVERN GORGE LIONS CLUB CIO

## MINUTES OF BUSINESS MEETING

Held on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2025.

### Chairpersons welcome:

Colin welcomed the following Lions to the April business meeting:

- Lions Wendy, Alexis, Frank, Shiv, David L, Andy, Carol, Joy & Gordon

The meeting was attended by ten Ironbridge and Severn Gorge Lions members.

### Apologies for absence:

Apologies were formally received from John & Jill Marsh, Graham, Lisa, Pav, Jane & Vic

### Minutes of business meeting Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

The minutes were reviewed for accuracy by Colin. Shiv duly proposed the minutes as a true record of the March business meeting. The minutes were seconded by Alexis.

### Matters arising:

As there were no matters arising Colin moved on to the next agenda item.

### Treasurer Report:

In Graham's absence, Colin briefly updated members on the current financial position for the club. Below is an extract from Graham's March 2025 financial report:

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| ➤ Admin account closing balance to C/F:   | £3,652.51  |
| ➤ Charity account closing balance to C/F: | £43,095.13 |
| ➤ Q3 Eligible Gift Aid (Charity & Admin)  | £5,752.06  |

It was further advised that we have two restricted fund items along with six reserved fund items that should be considered as they impact our free balance.

When taking the noted restricted and reserved funds into account this leaves the ISGL financial account with a free balance of **£27,709.13**

Andy directed members to graham's community service spreadsheet to give an overview of the current donation position which stands at £10'790.01. This is in line with the previous 3 years annual donation values whereby we donated circa £11,000.00 pa to community causes.

*For member information: 2018-2025 realises, ISGL community donation values are circa **£67'300.00***

## **Secretary:**

Andy advised the latest membership position for the club.

- Six members are currently classified as “Members At Large”
- Two members have resigned.
- Club membership currently stands at 23 members.

Andy further noted of the two resignations received, one was from the current club treasurer.

Trustees debated the resignations at a recent gathering and approved one of the resignations however the resignation of the treasurer was rejected as this would have a detrimental impact on the club. (note: In line with constitution rules, Trustees are required to approve all resignations.)

It has been agreed that the current treasurer will continue with his duties (limited format) until the end of June 2025 or until a new treasurer has been appointed.

Andy advised members that as of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 the presidents “Assignment” has been formally ended and therefore reflected on My LCI portal.

The club has two current officers in post. A treasurer and a secretary.

Andy’s final point was to advise members that they have donated in excess of 470 hours to our community over 27 events between July 24’ and March 25’

## **Officer & Non-officer Nominations:**

Andy advised members that to date we have received nominations for:

- Trustee (Two nominations)
- Treasurer (One nomination)

David Liddle and John Toll have been nominated as club trustees. Members discussed the nominations and Shiv formally proposed David L as a trustee which was carried unanimously on a vote by members present.

Note: In light of John Toll not being present at the meeting his nomination was not discussed.

**Action: Colin and Andy to meet with David Liddle prior to May business meeting to give overview of club trustee responsibilities.**

## **Activity Reports:**

Members present at the meeting gave brief overviews of activities they have been involved in during March including:

- Stay                                      Sleeping Bags & Blanket requests
- Big Local                                Brookside Community Centre

David L noted that Russell Garner from LCT had contacted him to ask if the club could help with re-stocking their community fridge. Members discussed this and agreed to fund £250 for food items and £100 for sanitary products. David’s proposal was formally seconded by Carol and carried unanimously by members.

**Action: David to purchase items to the value of £350 and deliver to LCT**

### **Club profile 2025/26 discussion:**

Andy asked members to offer thoughts on “how” and “what” they want the club to look like going forward. A review of the future events calendar took place to consider what events are possible for the club to deliver.

It was decided to cancel the June SOB.

**Action: Colin to contact Telford 1<sup>st</sup> responders to advise SOB cancellation and ensure treasurer forwards £350 donation.**

Colin updated members on the prostate screening event planned for Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May and asked for member support.

Due to the limited number of members at the meeting Andy advised he will look to continue the Club Profile discussion at the May business meeting.

### **Activity Leads:**

Colin directed members to the “Activity Leads” document that had been circulated to members and asked for member assistance in leading one or more activities noted (24 activities requiring a lead member)

Following an in-depth discussion, additional leads were identified for four of the activities however, more leads are required to enable the club to offer the activities as set out in the future events calendar.

**Action: Andy to update the Activity Leads document and circulate to members for information and further assistance.**

### **AOB**

Alexis presented birthday cards to three members

Andy noted that he had recently met John Foley who expressed an interest in becoming a “friend” of ISGL in the future and offered his and Jen’s assistance with supporting activities.

### **Soccer Special:**

No Soccer special draw took place this month

### **Tail Twister**

Alexis and the Lion made a final tour of the room.

### **Toast to ISGL and Lions Club International:**

Colin made a toast to Ironbridge and Severn Gorge Lions and Lions international.

With there being no further business Colin duly closed the meeting at 21.05