

ELISABETH CURTIS CENTRE RIDING FOR THE DISABLED

Minutes of the Coaching Committee 6.30pm Monday 14th June 2021 Microsoft Teams

Present: Kyle Palmer (**KP**) (Chairman), Charlotte Dunham (**CDu**) (Secretary), Gina Dunn (**GD**) (PWO), Pearl Farr (**PF**), Bella Craven (**BC**) County Coach

1. Apologies for absence: Victoria Liston (**VL**)

2. Minutes of last meeting: Approved.

3. Update and Matters arising since last meeting: KP

1. 'Meet and Greet' have started successfully and it is good to see riders enjoying meeting the ponies again.
2. Grooms' hours have been increased to 50 hours pw. Work is in progress on replacing an Evening and Sunday Groom
Action: MC

4. Management update: KP

1. A new Trustee, Debbie Pay (**DP**) is to have a trial for 6 months and will work on strategy, long-term planning and creating a 'reserve' fund for the building. **PF** and **RW** will continue to do the day-to-day banking of cash/cheques etc.
2. Volunteers have had a couple of successful 'poo-picking'/gardening sessions.
3. New volunteers are signing up on the website tracker.

5. Pony Welfare Officer Report:

14/06/21 We have experimented with the track system which was working well, but certain issues prevented continuing with this for the time being, we will try it again in the future. The ponies continue to enjoy their ridden exercise.

26/05/21 Saddler attended, all went well, some adjustments were made and Bobby had a change of saddle. Thank you to our volunteers who rode for the saddler.

26/05/21 Vet attended for Huggy due to Huggy's breathing being laboured. Vet prescribed ventipulmin and advised inhaler be increased.

05/06/21 Vet attended Huggy for colic. He recovered well following treatment. Due to Huggys age and condition, his weight carrying limit has been significantly reduced and the ECC will be looking for a suitable retirement home for him in the future.

11/06/21 Farrier attended. We still need to take measures to prevent Rupert pulling off his shoe. Sam and Rupert were turned out 24/7 separated from the herd 11/06/21.

13/06/21 Ellie had a thermal imaging session, report pending. Lolly and Ellie are rapidly increasing weight, they joined Rupert and Sam 14/06/21

21/06/21 The vet is due for routine vaccinations and blood tests.

25/06/21 The osteopath is due

Gina Dunn – PWO

Many thanks to both **KC** and **GD** for all their extra work on-site, such as exercising the ponies and being in attendance when the vet and farrier are at the centre.

6. Re-opening: will be in line with Government and RDA NO guidelines and subject to change.

1. 'Meet and Greet' have started with a reasonable take up by participants. A Coaches meeting has been arranged for 30/6/21 at ECC to discuss further steps and confirm date of next CC meeting.

7. AOB: None

Meeting finished at 20.01pm

Date of next meeting: TBC on 30/6/21 via Microsoft Teams