

**MINUTES OF RAFA NEWARK & DISTRICT BRANCH COMMITTEE/TRUSTEES
MEETING HELD ON 25th JUNE 2024**

Present:		Appointment:
Michael Reilly	(MR)	Trustee – Chairman
Jerry Flint	(JF)	Trustee – Treasurer
Dennis Atkins	(DA)	Trustee – Branch Hon Life Vice-President
Elsbeth White	(EW)	Nominated Committee Member
Apologies:		
Joyce Woods	(JW)	Trustee – Secretary
Allan Brooke	(AB)	Branch Hon Life Vice-President
James Scott	(JS)	Standard Bearer
Arron Martin	(AM)	RAFLO/Standard Bearer

ITEM	RECORD OF DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS	ACTION
1.	Welcome and Dedication MR gave the Dedication and thanked the Committee Members for their attendance.	MR
2.	Apologies for Absence Apologies received from JW, AB, JS and AM	JF
3.	Declaration of Interests / Conflicts MR – Welfare Officer of the Patriotic Fund	ALL
4.	Minutes of Previous Meeting MR proposed and DA seconded that the minutes of the 2 nd May 2024 meeting were a true and accurate record.	ALL
5.	Matters Arising	

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	<p>MR, reported that EW and Margaret Flint have volunteered to rejoin the Committee. DA proposed that they should rejoin as Trustees and MR seconded. Motion carried unanimously. It was also proposed that AB become a Trustee.</p> <p>EW also mentioned that Lesley Ward has also implied she may join the committee (EW will update us).</p>	<p>MR/JW</p> <p>EW</p>
6.	<p>Financial Report</p> <p>JF reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BRANCH: £2,103.07 • WELFARE: £7,643.28 • WINGS: £2,091.08 • At HQ: £15,701.05 • FLOAT: £171.60 <p>JF briefed that major expenditure was 5 x RBL wreaths (£137.50)</p> <p>JF said that we should transfer surplus welfare funds into the HQ account. Suggested £4000. JF proposed, MR seconded. Motion passed</p> <p>JF briefed that MR & JF are the only Barclays bank signatories, all previous signatories have finally been removed.</p>	<p>JF</p> <p>MR/JW</p> <p>JF</p>
7.	<p>Membership, Welfare, Ceremonial, Media/Publicity Membership</p> <p>Membership JF informed the committee that the Branch had 237 active members, 27 lapsed, 1 new joiner, 0 leavers & 0 deceased.</p> <p>Welfare Two cases were briefly discussed.</p> <p>Ceremonial MR reported that JS has confirmed he will be the Standard Bearer for the Armed Forces Day.</p> <p>Media / Publicity MR asked about the viability of a Newsletter. JF said he would try to write a concise version. JF mentioned that we should remove lapsed members from the FB group.</p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>JF</p> <p>JS</p> <p>JF</p>
8.	<p>Recent / Forthcoming Events</p> <p>MR thanked all for the succesful Mablethorpe, Coffee Morning and Lord Ted luncheon.</p> <p>Forthcoming Events – see Appendix</p>	<p>ALL</p>

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	<p>Armed Forces Day – 30th June 2024 (Standard Bearer)</p> <p>Coffee Morning in the Bowls Club – 10th July 2024 (booked)</p> <p>RAFA Lunch (Roman Way) – 23rd July 2024 (booked for 12)</p> <p>Wings – DA planned to collect in Boyes, Newark. Ollerton was also mentioned by EW and DA.</p> <p>MR briefed about a future a Mablethorpe event.</p> <p>RAF in Concert (Palace Theatre) – 20th September – plan to book 6 places.</p> <p>RAF Concert (Palace Theatre) – 21st November – plan to book 8 places.</p>	<p>JS</p> <p>MR</p> <p>MR</p> <p>DA</p> <p>MR</p> <p>JF</p> <p>MR</p>
9.	<p>Any Other Business / Points for Next Meeting</p> <p>DA suggested that we ask RAF Waddington and Cranwell to advertise our continuation in their SDO.</p> <p>DA reminded JF that he will bring in his USB drive with images to make a calendar for 2025.</p> <p>MR notified us that 1260 ATC (JS) would welcome the wooden propellor currently housed in the NSC building. MR would notify NSC in writing.</p> <p>MR briefed us that he official photographs from recent events that we could use for our own publicity.</p>	<p>DA</p> <p>JF</p> <p>MR</p> <p>ALL</p>
10.	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>30th July 2024 in NSC at 1830.</p>	<p>ALL</p>

Appendix

EVENTS

Event	When	Notes
Armed Force Day	30 th June	James Scott - SB
RAFA Coffee Morning	10 th July	Bowls Club
RAFA Luncheon	23 rd July	Roman Way
Battle of Britain	15 September	Wreath / SB
RAF in Concert (Palace)	20 September	6 places to be booked
All Souls Ceremony	October	Wreath / SB
Remembrance Sunday	10 November	Wreath / SB
Concert (Palace)	21 November	8 places to be booked