



## PTA Minutes 7th February 2023- King Harry Pub

**Apologies received** : Salpi, Karen, Doug, Nathalie and Mike  
**Present** : Angie, Terri, Sue, and Richard G

### **Funding Requests - One received by email**

A request received via Doug, from Miss Thomson and the Sustainability Co-ordinator. The request being £1680 ( 5 large outdoor recycling bins @ £328 plus £40 delivery) After referring to the Chair and Treasurer, we declined the request as we felt that it did not fall within with our PTA constitution. **Terri emailed Doug on 17/1**

### **Co-op, Amazon Smile, Matchfunding and Treeeasy Update**

At our last meeting 19/10, we asked if the school would promote by way of sending a whole school mailshot out to parents. Doug took a copy of our mailshot, to refer to Ms Thomson for permission. Despite, numerous emails we have never received a reply and our promotions were not sent out. We missed the Christmas build up and purchase of trees and the other shopping opportunities. Lots of work had been spent on setting up these fundraising accounts and we haven't made the income we had hoped.

### **Easy Fundraising**

**Richard G** will look at for us and get us sorted. He says it's an easy process

### **Comedy night**

We discussed and are still keen to explore, possibly looking at October time. **Karen/Sue/Terri**

### **Secondhand Uniform Sale**

Proposed dates 28th Feb or 4th March, but agreed we need a big push on uniform as we are quite empty after the last two/three sales. We need to be aware that the school are pushing their M Club (for discreet help with Uniform/food.) A teacher has asked on social media for Y11 uniform to be donated when not in use soon. This is normally our biggest intake of stock, so we may well not get any. Terri will email Sharon Nixon to ask for a push on this. Need to agree on a date and get it booked and hope our stock gets replenished.

**Richard G** - Is going to arrange two card readers for us to use at sales, we are potentially turning away custom if parents do not have enough cash on them. Not sure if this can be arranged in enough time for our next sale **Richard ?**

**Terri** to order 6 ties with SWI for next sale if possible.

### **Quiz**

School are already booked for a World Challenge quiz, but we discussed looking at possibly holding one in the summertime, hoping to draw more parents out for the evening. Consideration in getting 2/3 good prizes for the raffle or an auction of these items during the evening. **Sue/Terri** happy to run. **Terri** will email Rich A for potential quiz dates.

### **Recruitment Need**

We are experiencing a major lack of support from parents, the committee are dwindling in numbers. Salpi still happy to help out where she can and run our Uniform sales. Chantelle is taking a step back at present, which we do hope she returns, when the time is right for her. A number of us all have children in Y12, which will have an effect in another year or so. We are asking the school to push the PTA too, we can't raise much needed funds without help. We need to recruit now to save the PTA from folding and make school aware of the situation we find ourselves in. **Terri** will email Sharon Nixon. I will also ask her for her ideas/to seek a permanent contact for PTA promotion going forward.

Next meeting set for Wednesday 23rd November 7.30pm Merlin Centre (6th Form)