St Ives Arts Club

Committee Meeting

10.00am Monday 2nd November 2026

Theatre

Minutes

Present – Chris O'Reilly (Chair), Janet Axten, Will Sleath, Wendy Litherland, Steve Litherland

1. **Apologies for Absence – All present**
2. **Minutes of Meeting 3rd March 2026**

   Approval / Matters Arising – Approved
3. **Reports and updates**

   President and Member Services – Chris

Income and expenditure great to 30th September 2026, however having moved the Financial Year End, formal accounts not needed until new Year Ending 31st December 2026.

Discission around Budgets for 2027 – agreed to give a budget to each group for Art related spending. Budgets to be agreed before year end.

Action – consider budgets for each area (ALL)

Theatre - production/marketing	£	2,000.00
Exhbitions - hanging / marketing	£	1,000.00
World Classics Promotion/Overheads	£	2,000.00
Archive - Conservation/storage/framing	£	2,000.00
Art Groups Monday Art	£	1,000.00
Tuesday Art	£	1,000.00
Ukulele Group	£	1,000.00
Arts Club - book/ marketing/website	£	2,000.00
Grant for film Project	£	3,000.00
	£	15,000.00

Action – look into Savings Accounts - NS&I? (COR)

COR – update exhibition room T&C's to clarify we will only pay for sales showing on Sumup as processed – not on the 'Sales Sheets'

Agreed AGM late March 2027

Agreed to review the process for Committee and Management Committee Roles – Trustees to agree in advance – along these lines

Notification in January Newsletter

Invite 'committee members'

Invite nominations for relevant roles

Nominations to Trustees by end of February?

Notify members re new Management Roles

Trustees put together AGM agenda.

AGM ratifies new roles

Action

Agreed to approach potential committee members, as well as requesting in the Newsletter

World Classics – Will

Action - Will to organise four concerts in 2027, for the 20th Anniversary.

Documentation and Archive Group – Janet

Our collection was valued by David Lay in 2024 and has 14 paintings valued >£1000 and 10 paintings valued between £500-£1000

Action

Safe, accessible storage is essential – will be built at back of stage.

Chris Dawe to photograph full collection.

COR to retrieve our two paintings from Museum

Chris Dawe to photograph the David Tovey's paintings we will borrow

Entertainment – Steve

Action

Theatre improvements to be made, Stage, Crow's Nest etc.

Monthly film club to be started – Friday afternoons

Social – Wendy

Art and Wine will form the basis of regular events and will continue through 2027

4. **2027 Plans**

Society of Artists Exhibition

Paintings have been chosen

Actions

Photograph collection (Chris Dawe)

Photograph David Tovey paintings (Chris Dawe)

Choose cards to print ready for exhibition – priority due to print timescales

Make a flyer and print copies – before Members' Exhibition – URGENT

We will also supply flyers to the Society of Artists ready for their winter show

Organise Stewarding for three weeks – put in Newsletters

Turner Prize – 3 months

Discussed how we could make the most of the extra visitors down for the Turner Prize.

Will suggested a **Turner Fringe Festival** – sounds great.

Films, Book Sales, Talks, Music - we hope to have an invasion of art tourists, so need to make the most of the opportunity.

Actions

Consider the many ways we can put this together, and bring ideas to next committee meeting (Will mentioned two hour concerts, where you pay less, the longer you endure!)

5. **Maintenance and Repairs**

COR and SL to discuss next steps with building works - stage and crows nest are the priority

6. **Meeting Dates**

No meeting dates were decided, but early January would be a good time.

7. **Any other Business**

Janet requested if St Peters St Chapel could use the theatre for meetings – which was agreed.

Sharon McSwiney – we agreed to pay for memorial restoration

Agreed competition prize £100 (plus hang upstairs)

Agreed Nicole Tesseyman – free rehearsals and 100% of tickets.

Agreed U3A to continue, Chris Pearson as non-member on room hire terms