Minutes of the 55th AGM of Hanham Folk Centre held on 9th October 2000

Present

Chairman Mr. L. Baldwin Hon Treasurer Mr. T. Jones

23 members attended

In the absence of the secretary (Miss Iles) the minutes were taken by Mrs. D. Guy.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Mrs. S. Nunn, Miss B. Iles and Mr. & Mrs. Tapsell.

Minutes of the Last Meeting

The adoption of minutes of the meeting held on September 15th 1999 was proposed by Mrs. T. Worlock and seconded by Mr. E. Senior. This was agreed by the meeting and the minutes were adopted as an accurate record.

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

Chairman's Report

The Chairman introduced the members on the top table (these were Mrs. Guy, Mr. M. Thorne (Vice Chair) Mr. T. Jones and Mr. P. Weaver).

The Chairman reported that Mrs. Woodward had resigned during the year. Mr. Baldwin reported that he had accepted her resignation as a Trustee. He thanked Mrs. Woodward for her loyalty to the centre for many years and wished her well in the future.

He stressed the need for stability in the Centre during the year. We must encourage new members. He reported that the recent sections meeting had been very constructive and hoped to strengthen the liaison with the sections. He stressed the need for better communication between each section. He went on to outline the plans to re-shape the Executive and Management Committees.

Mrs. Worlock and Mr. R. Burr were thanked for their hard work in organising a very successful dance.

Work on revising the constitution is still ongoing. The Chairman explained that the Charity Commission has asked him why we are implementing a new constitution.

Administrator's Report

All members attending received a copy of the report.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Jones thanked the centre for the kind gift of a basket of fruit that had been given to his wife during her recent stay in hospital.

The Treasurer reported that he has been under a great deal of pressure during the year and is seeking help with the accounts.

He stressed that HFC is a Charity and we must manage the charity properly. The section accounts must be submitted on time (by the end of May) to be forwarded to our accountants. The Chairman thanked Mr. Jones for all his hard work.

The acceptance of accounts were proposed by Mr. K. Lawrence and seconded by Mr. J. Hemmings. All agreed.

Election of Officers

Treasurer Mr. T. Jones Secretary Miss B. Iles

Election of Management

10 nominations had been received – 12 were needed so therefore no vote required.

The following were duly elected: -

Mr. E. Senior Miss J. Scolding
Mr. J. Hemmings Mrs. T. Worlock
Mr. M. Thorne Mr. J. White
Mr. K. Sheppard Mr. D. Paget
Mr. D. Wright Mr. N. Edwards

Any Other Business

- (1) Mr. Hemmings brought up the concern regarding the youths congregating outside the kitchen door (they had set the doors alight). This matter was in hand.
- (2) Bottle Bank It was felt that this should be brought back to HFC car park. Mr. Baldwin to investigate.

Vote of Thanks

Mr. Thorne proposed a vote of thanks to all who had made this year such a success. Mr. T. Jones was thanked for his commitment. He also thanked the Management and Executive Committees, Mr. J. Hemmings, the Administrator, the caretakers and all those who have helped at the centre over the past year.

A report to the Charity Commission was circulated to all attending members.

Signed:	Chairman
Date:	