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## Palmeras de Altea Residents Association - AGM 2017 - Minutes of the meeting

The annual general meeting of the "Palmeras de Altea Residents Association" was held at the Piano bar in the Villa Gadea Hotel, Altea on Saturday 25th March 2017 and was attended by 40 people of which 19 were members of the Association. There were ten proxy votes held by the members of the board. Peter made the first call at 16.30 hours and the meeting officially came to order at 17.00 hours. Members of the board present:

- Peter Theusen, President.
- Trevor Giddings, Secretary.
- Cor van den Heuvel, Treasurer.
- Richard Verney, Vocal Member.

### Agenda :

1. Opening and Welcome by Peter Theusen, President.
2. Reading of the minutes of the Annual general Meeting of 26th March 2016, approval and adoption.
3. Review of Activities and Achievements.
4. Financial Report of 2016.  
Budget for the year 2017.  
Annual membership fee, proposal for the fee to be held at €150 per annum.
5. Elections.  
As Mr Cor van den Heuvel resigned from the board the board temporarily appointed one of our members Mr Leslie Schlebaum who is prepared to stand for election at this AGM to be our new Treasurer.  
After 4 years of duty, according to the statutes, the position of Members of the Board must be made available for election/re-election. Our present Non-Executive Member Mr Richard Verney is prepared to candidate for another period of 4 years.  
Existing Board: President : Peter Theusen.  
Secretary : Trevor Giddings.  
Treasurer : Vacant.  
Non-Executive : Richard Verney.
6. Minor amendments to the statutes, explanations and vote.
7. Questions from the floor and any other business.
8. Closing the meeting by the President.

### Item 1:

Peter opened the meeting by welcoming those present and thanked them for their attendance. He noted that two of our members Mr José Pastor and Mr Jac van der Eijk had passed away and offered his and the boards condolences to the families. He also mentioned a big thank you to one of our members Mr Ton Wantenaar who carries out many tasks and also the management of the Urbanisation.

### Item 2:

Peter asked whether any member present required the minutes for the AGM held 26th March 2016 to be read out or whether they could be adopted as published. A vote was taken to adopt the minutes without a formal reading and was unanimously approved.

### Item 3:

Peter reviewed the activities and achievements by the boards officers and discussed some of them at the meeting. He also highlighted our problems arranging meetings with the Mayor to discuss the improvements and said our main focus would be on the improvement to the entrance because we think it is the one area we have most chance of success.

**Item 4:**

The Treasurer Cor van den Heuvel presented the Financial report of 2016 and the Budget for the year 2017 to the meeting (all previously sent to all the members). After a brief discussion the Financial report for 2016 and the Budget for 2017 were voted on and approved unanimously. It was unanimously decided to keep the annual fee at €150.

**Item 5:**

Treasurer Vacancy:

A vote was taken and Mr Leslie Schlebaum was adopted unanimously by the members as Treasurer.

Peter thanked Mr Cor van den Heuvel for his service as Treasurer.

Non-Executive Member:

A vote was taken and Mr Richard Verney was approved for a further four years.

**Item 6:**

Minor amendments to the statutes.

Richard explained the reasons for the minor changes to the statutes of the Association and after a brief discussion the amendments were voted on and approved unanimously.

**Item 7:**

Questions from the floor; individual members raised the following points:

1. A member thanked the board and Ton Wantenaar in particular for all their hard work on maintaining the estate and stated that during the 25 years that she had lived on the Galera it had never been so well maintained before as during the PdA period.
2. One member offered to research (on behalf of the board) for a suitable lawyer to help the Association with our future challenges with the Ayuntamiento.
3. Raised the possibility of enforcing payment of the Association fee, however this is not possible.
4. Raised concerns about uninhabited properties that have swimming pools with untreated water that could encourage Mosquitos etc. It was pointed out that we cannot do anything about it as an Association and advised that individual neighbours should make complaints to the Ayuntamiento for Health/Security reasons.
5. How do we find out if our road is adopted or not? A previous official of the board offered to research his records for a letter he believed he had received from Carolina Punsett confirming our roads are adopted. A second related point was made that If our roads are not adopted we could have a guard or do what we want.

**Item 8:**

No further questions were forthcoming, Peter closed the meeting at 17.55.