

Bitton Village Residents Association



Committee Meeting

Minutes

17th June 2015

Present: AW, JB, NB, MG, GF, PH, TB, BS, PS, BF, Jo Saville, Steve Coleman

Apologies: EW, BH, TS, PC, SB, SC, MG (Gates), TM, MA.

Matters arising:

1. There was a round of thanks and appreciation from everyone, to Christopher Gallop for his massive contribution to the BVRA and the village.
2. Golden valley. AW has questioned what the state of play at the moment is. The plans are being rehashed possibly to include more green spaces frontage.
3. The planning application for change of use of a barn at Manor Farm has been withdrawn
4. A grant has been applied for the purchase of stone troughs for the village. We will need a representative at the area forum meeting 6th July 7.30 at Kingswood.
5. Film Screen – grant application has been successful. £250 has been awarded but it needs to be matched from our funds. It was agreed that the money could come from the takings from Flicks.
6. The purchase of new Christmas decorations is an on- going project. AW waiting for Brian Garlick to come back with suggestions.
7. GF has had a look at the website and has some suggestions about getting a more modern interactive site. **Action GF**
8. Jo gave an update on the Barn Dance. 92 tickets sold, so costs are covered. Only 30 tickets left. Drinks are sorted. The Ukulele band will play.
9. Jo and Steve (Cole) suggested an idea for next year. A mid-afternoon to early evening party, music festival possibly including an open mike, local musicians and bands. The aim would be a family event. It was received much enthusiasm. Jo will contact Sharon Robbins about using the pound ground. **Action JS**

Fields in trust/ Aubrey Meads Play area: There was a suggestion of an anniversary party. GF has noticed that there is a lot of litter. There is a bin which is emptied by the council. GF will contact Tina Rainey to find out who and how often it is cleaned. The seat at the bottom has not appeared GF will chase **Action GF**

Fields notice re permitted path: BH raised concern by email. The issue has become a problem as dog walkers are not clearing up their dogs mess, and cattle have become ill. AW will write to him on behalf of BVRA thanking him for use of the field and offering any assistance (funding a sign was discussed) BF will write something in focal point about the country code. **Action AW/BF**

Planning - church car park. Collective views have been passed onto the planners.

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Finance - see appendix. Cream teas made £471 the open gardens. Many thanks to all involved. We need to match £250 for the screen. That can come out the flicks balance.

History group- next meeting is on Tues 23rd June. Kay Ross talks about the history of St Mary's. The history group has researched names for the new development. AW will pass those names on to the developers.

Gardening Club – the accounts are very healthy. 69 members, Open gardens made £600

AOB

PH - The front door Heather House has been opened. AW will let the developers know.

Action AW

BF - expressed concern that she shares with other who live in Church road about the parking outside central garage. Cars are badly parked often making it difficult to see to turn out of the road, this is made worse if there are also cars parked outside of the White Hart. There has been some reports that there are untaxed cars. The police have been informed and have put warning notices on the cars. AW will raise it.

AW recommends Travel west bus tracker app.

AGM - AW proposed moving the date as he and BS are away. It was agreed to move the AGM to 28th Oct. MG will change the booking in the hall.

Action MG