

# Bitton Village Residents Association



## Committee Meeting Minutes 11<sup>th</sup> May 2016

**Present:** AW, NB, JB, BS, MA, GF, MG, PC

**Apologies:** PS, SB, AM, BH, TM, PH, TB

- **Planning**

- Golden valley site -some variations to conditions have come before the planning department. AW has asked them for a single point of contact. Some informal information that it is possible to start building in June but this is really only gossip.
- Glebe field - planning for car park has been declined. BVRA will remain involved in any activity to help raise awareness/funds etc. We are very receptive if there is any further support we can offer. It was suggested that the BVRA AGM could have a session on St Mary's moving forward. AW will propose it.
- Planning enforcement
  - Fence on GVL is still there. AW will chase.
  - Piplely Court – seems to have slipped under the net despite it being raised on several occasions
  - No news on the greenhouses site.
- History group – the AGM report will be circulated. Next meeting is at Manor farm 7<sup>th</sup> June with slides from David Hawkings.
- The Fashion Gala show is going ahead on 25th June in the Church. Tickets available from George Friend 0117 932 9389 - evenings only
- Website – we really have not got very far. Mike Gates has offered to help. NB will ask BF to advertise in the Week In/Focal Point.
- Finance - £1352 in the account. Of which gardening club £345, history club £488 so balance is £518 (inc Flicks profit). Loan still to come back of approx. £500
- Party in the Park – no further progress. Possibly postpone to next year. Perhaps join up with the church and have something in the Glebe field.
- There has been a suggestion of a skate park in the pound ground. We are happy to hear suggestions/proposals
- Counsellors update – apologies from EW and VMc.
  - Speed restriction in the lanes. Still a work in progress. NB will contact EW as to when the consultation will take place.
  - Roundabout feature – a work in progress. EW/VMc are working with Bitton railways

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- Widening the village involvement – ideas on how we can do this were discussed. Suggestions involved a leaflet drop to every house in the village to try to improve involvement from the wider community.
  - The mobile library service is under threat. MG will contact EW and ask her what she would like the BVRA to do. It was agreed that we were very supportive of the service.
- Nature Club – any more ideas are welcome.
  - There is a consultation in the church hall about flooding and drainage – 30<sup>th</sup> June 2- 8pm
  - Gardening Club – doing very well. 70 members. Events are well supported.
  - Flicks – Just had a very good season and has shown the 50<sup>th</sup> film.
  - Seating in Aubrey meads – MG has written to Tina Rainey and is awaiting an update

## AOB

- Fly tipping – toxic waste has been dumped on the bank of the Boyd. NB has contacted the council but nothing has been done She will contact the environment agency
- Fly posting – large poster has appeared on the bridge - PC will phone street care.
- MA has spoken to tree officer about trees in Church lane.
- Planters have arrived for the bridge they will be going up soon.
- The Owl needs pruning – Action AW.

## Actions

Fence on GVL	AW
Website advert	NB
St Mary's "moving forward"	AW
Speed limit in the lanes – contact EW	NB
Mobile Library – contact EW	MG
Fly tipping	NB
Fly Posting	PC
Owl Pruning	AW