Holybourne Village Association

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11th April 2023

Minutes

Committee Members	Jerry Janes; Rob Law; Andy Muir; Vickie Kemp; Kellie-Jayne Cox; Vanessa Gist; Stuart Hunt.
Ex Officio	Cllr Andrew Joy (HCC), Cllr Graham Hill (EHDC and ATC)
	Stephen Lewis

No	Item	Action
1 1.1 1.2	Opening of Meeting and Apologies for Absence Apologies were received from Kay Anderson, Pat Lerew, John Rapley and Mary Blackwell. Stephen Lewis – the magazine designer and compiler was introduced to the committee by Jerry.	
2 2.1	Minutes of Last Meeting The Minutes of the March meeting were approved subject to an amendment in 8.1 which should have referred to HCC not EDC. Minutes were updated before publishing on the website.	
2.2	Matters Arising: (4.3) After a request from Cllr Graham Hill the Mens' Shed have revamped the seat next to the war memorial and will be sending an invoice for materials to the treasurer. (4.4) Cllr Graham Hill researched, online, a fold-down seat as one would find in a domestic shower; this was thought not to be sturdy enough and further deliberations were needed.	
3	Members Open Forum There were no items brought up before the meeting.	
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4.1	Live Issues and Projects HVA finances: following from the last meeting (6.1), the future of the magazine and indeed the whole funding of the HVA were issues of concern. Jerry circulated a memo to the committee to request that thought should be given to the matter. Stephen Lewis was welcomed as a participator in this discussion as he has a major input into the magazine. Several magazines from the local area were also brought to the meeting by members and these were passed round for views on how our magazine compared (price and impact). Vickie circulated before and at the meeting a projected cash flow of the HVA and showed that provided the advertising predicted was realised, the HVA was in a position to produce the magazine in its existing format. In the mean time we would pursue the possibility of changing the printer for one giving a better price. Cllr Graham Hill has contacted the printers in Treloars who have given a budgetary figure which is less than the printer we currently use; (£800 against £940). Jerry noted that the situation was exacerbated by the fact that the magazine editor and the advertising manager had both changed at the same time and thus continuity was broken. It transpired that the procedure for securing advertising purchase and receiving the revenue for it was somewhat vague. This results in some people not paying up-front and in fact some revenue is still to be collected for 2022 advertising manager were not present at the meeting but the treasurer and Stephen Lewis thought that it would be of great benefit for the four of them to get together and design a new procedure to encompass securing adverts and payments. It was also put forward that we could offer advertisers an "early bird" discount if they paid promptly for the ads.	VL MB KA SL

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4.2	Coronation Celebration/Picnic Plans for the village celebration for the King's coronation on 6 th May 2023 are well underway. Megan-Beth Millar is doing a great job co-ordinating things. The new WhatsApp group (Holybourne Coronation Weekend) is giving good info and is well used. Street Parties are being formed and the picnic itself is taking shape. Flyers will soon be out. The information will be on the HVA website and social media too. There are plans for a community project and Zumba class on the sports field on the Monday (Bank Holiday). Cllr Andrew Joy reminded us that there was an opportunity to apply for a special Coronation Grant (£500) to help cover the costs of the celebration events. Andy	AM JJ
	Muir and Jerry Janes to progress this pronto.	
5	Planning and Development Issues in and around Holybourne / Alton	
5.1	Update on the LIDL/Home Bargains development from Cllr Graham Hill. Hargreaves the contractors are expecting to start work on the final phase of the contract, that of putting in a traffic light controlled crossing and footpath to London Road Holybourne by end of May. This work will complete the development and it is anticipated that the stores will open in October 2023.	
5.2	Cllr Graham Hill reminded us that the Town Council Neighbourhood Plan was reaching a discussion phase through consultation and that it would be a good idea if we could encourage someone from Holybourne to join the consultation group. HVA to consider who would be willing to do this.	All
5.3	Cllr Andrew Joy informed us that the Anaerobic Digestion application from Veolia is now on the planning website and available for people to study and object if they want to. Details of how to find it will be on our website. The main planning issues would be around the impact of odour and vehicle movements. Guidance could be sought from those who headed up the "No Wey Incinerator" action. During the discussion it was felt that we should produce an article for the next magazine (Summer) to help people understand what the process is all about. Andy Muir to write.	АМ
5.4	There have been no other significant planning applications this month.	
6	Village Communications	
6.1	Magazine: - The Spring Issue has been widely distributed with only a few places left to do. Hopefully the magazine advertising process will be ironed out before the next publication date.	
6.2	Website: - Info is being updated regularly, nothing else to report.	
6.3	Facebook/Social: - All widely used by much of the village.	
6.4	Church: - The Easter events were well attended including the Lent "Soup Wednesdays". Andrew Micklefield is recovering and taking things slowly. A new tree will soon be planted in the churchyard courtesy of a grant secured from Cllr Graham Hill. The church is now preparing itself for the Coronation Weekend.	
7	Committee Reports	
7.1	Chair Report: - Jerry gave thanks to the Village Hall Trustees for agreeing to waive the hall hire fees this year for the HVA meetings. This was gratefully received by the committee.	
7.2	Secretary Report: - Nothing to report.	
7.3	Treasurers Report The current bank balance was recorded at £3,240.66 however there is still some 2022 advertising revenue to bring in which will bring the balance to £3,940.66. Vickie produced a budget forecast which showed that if new advertising income	

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	was on target then the HVA would be able to produce this year's next two magazines. Last month's call for donations from villagers to help with the coronation celebrations have raised £230 which is a great help. Vickie also noted that there were some people who were getting free advertising in the magazine. This will be investigated by the team as in 4.1 above.	
7.4	Friends of the Pond: - Rob Law gave a brief resume of the work done at the pond and thanked Cllr Graham Hill for his assistance in getting the ATC head groundsman to assess the situation and give a plan of what to do. The access area has now been re-established with gravel/shingle retained by sleepers and protected from vehicular access by three large stones generously donated by a local benefactor. The grant of £500 provided by Cllr Graham Hill from the ATC provided the funds required to undertake this project. Feedback from villagers has been very positive.	Closed
7.5	Flood Action Group/Emergency Planning: - It was agreed that the flood issue has diminished and the work considered a success.	Closed
8	Any Other Business	
8.1	Cllr Andrew Joy noted that there had been a number of complaints relating to low background humming in the area. It was speculated that it may relate to recent fibre-optic work but this was not certain. He asked that we should all keep "an ear open" and report back if it continues.	
8.2	Steven Lewis and Vanessa Gist both raised the issue of grounds maintenance in Complins. Steven also said that this was an issue that Pat Lerew wanted to raise too. Cllr Graham Hill agreed that the area in question was owned by the HCC and therefore should be covered to a satisfactory standard by the environmental services team. The present service was inadequate and he said that he would follow it up. At the same time the trees in the area were also in need of attention and this would be by the same team.	Clir GH
8.3	Cllr Graham Hill apologised for an errata in his article about the defibrillator at the White Hart. The grant provided by him was for a new enclosure making it possible to put the defibrillator outside the pub again and not for the unit itself. He forwarded a statement to this effect and it will be added to the web published magazine.	
9	Close – DONM	
	Jerry thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 21:25 The date of the next is 09 th May 2023 – just after the coronation weekend	