

# BELTHORN VILLAGE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 17 July 2018  
(directly after the AGM)

in The Dog Inn, Belthorn

## Members Present:

Collette Riding  
Clive Carroll

Marianne Davies  
Tina Walker

Gary Riding

Judith Hamilton

**Also Present:** Pauline McClure

	Action
<b>1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> - There were no apologies for absence	
<b>2 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE OFFICERS</b>  As set out in the village Committee's Constitution, the first action of a new Committee is to agree the appointment of officers. It was therefore considered and agreed as a whole that members would remain in the same posts.  > The position of Committee Chair - Clive Carroll > The position of Vice Chair – Collette Riding > The position of Treasurer – Judith Hamilton > The position of Secretary – Marianne Davies.  Alison and Jay Carmichael had resigned from the committee to concentrate on building works to their new house. New villager, Tina Walker, was welcomed onto the committee. She gave a brief outline of her background and experience of committee working saying she was looking forward to working with Belthorn village committee to help improve village life.	
<b>3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>  There were no declarations of interest at this meeting but Clive Carroll's membership of the Dog Inn Board was discussed and would be considered at each meeting taking into account the items for discussion at the meeting.	
<b>4 MINUTES OF THE 5 JUNE 2018 MEETING FOR APPROVAL</b>  The minutes were approved as a correct record.	
<b>5 MATTERS ARISING</b>  <u>Community Road Watch Scheme Update</u> – After speaking to Mark Griffiths, who's heading up the scheme, Marianne reported that he was struggling to get any co-operation from Lancashire Constabulary. His police contacts were constantly changing, they were struggling for funding and he was feeling pretty de-motivated. Also some volunteers were still to have their medicals.	

<p><u>Village Garage</u> – Clive reported having moved all his items stored in the village garage and donated them to his other groups as agreed. The free skip was no longer available so a decision had to be made as to whether to hire a skip or use committee members' cars to take all remaining items no longer needed to the council tip.</p> <p><b>Agreed:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Clive to pass his garage key to Marianne, and committee members to meet at the garage to check on just what's left to be dumped and decide which would be the best way to clear the garage, leaving just what's needed.</b></li> <li>• <b>Gary to repair the broken fascia to the garage ASAP.</b></li> </ul>	<p>Clive / All</p> <p>Gary</p>
<p><b>6 FIREWORK DISPLAY</b></p> <p>Provisionally Monday 12 November was the date set aside for the village firework display. It was suggested that the Dog Inn was in a better financial position to fund the firework display from bar takings rather than the usual contribution from the village committee, now with a much reduced income.</p> <p><b>Agreed:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Clive to discuss the firework display arrangements with the Dog Inn Board.</b></li> <li>• <b>Village Committee to arrange hot dogs for sale.</b></li> <li>• <b>Donations to the village committee expected from all attending.</b></li> <li>• <b>Posters to be displayed and flyers to be distributed around the village. Pauline offered to help circulate them.</b></li> </ul>	<p>Clive</p> <p>All</p>
<p><b>7 CHRISTMAS PARTIES</b></p> <p>Since Peter Britcliffe, who was very supportive of Belthorn and helped fund the annual Christmas parties, was no longer a County Councillor there was unlikely to be funding from LCC this year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Agreed: Tina to contact Blackburn with Darwen Councillors for this area and Collette to contact Hyndburn Councillor Glen Harrison with a view to sourcing funding for the parties or any other help they could offer the committee.</b></li> <li>• <b>Marianne to try to find out if ex-Councillor Peter Britcliffe has a replacement at LCC</b></li> </ul>	<p>Tina/ Collette</p> <p>Marianne</p>
<p><b>8 VILLAGE NOTICE BOARDS</b></p> <p>Marianne indicated the possibility of repairing or replacing the old notice boards with similar new ones by Mark Banyard who made the originals many years ago. Following a conversation with Hyndburn Councillor Marlene Haworth and Lisa Allen in the Dog Inn restaurant, funding could possibly be found from an Oswaldtwistle pot of money for the work needed. They also offered to help the Village Committee and the Dog Inn Board in any way they could.</p>	

<b>Agreed: Marianne awaiting a quote from Mark Banyard to carry out the work and forward to Councillor Marlene Haworth.</b>	Marianne
<b>9 ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b> – There was no other business to discuss.	
<b>10 DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b> The next committee meeting will be held at 7.00 pm on Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> August 2018 in the Dog Inn.	