

BELTHORN VILLAGE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 1st November 2017
in The Dog Inn, Belthorn

Members Present: Collette & Gary Riding, Marianne Davies and Clive Carroll

Also Present: Lee Shorrocks

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| 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Judith Hamilton sent an apology for absence. | |
| 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were no declarations of interest. | |
| 3. MINUTES OF THE 10 OCTOBER 2017 MEETING FOR APPROVAL The minutes of the last meeting were approved as a correct record. | |
| 4. MATTERS ARISING Village Traffic – Community Road Watch Scheme – Nothing further to report at this stage. | |
| 5. CORRESPONDENCE No correspondence had been received. | |
| 6. TREASURER'S REPORT Owing to Judith's absence there was no Treasurer's report but no financial activity was expected other than reported at the last meeting. | |
| 7. AUTUMN/WINTER SOCIAL EVENT DATES <u>Firework Display</u> Last minute arrangements for the Firework Display, organised by the Village Committee, were discussed. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Display date had been confirmed as Monday 6th November, starting at 7.00 pm.• Hot dogs would be provided by the committee at a nominal charge.• The committee would appeal for donations from those attending to help towards committee funds. | |

- Kathryn would try to arrange volunteers to cover the coffee shop.
- From Syke Mill's UKI £250 donation, £100 to be paid, as the committee's contribution, towards the fireworks.

Christmas parties

Arrangements for the village Christmas Parties in the Dog Inn:

Children's party - Saturday 2nd December from 2.00 pm

- Lee Shorrocks had agreed to act as Father Christmas for the afternoon and attended the meeting to discuss details of his duties;
- 40 tickets for the children's parties have been produced and Collette will buy a present for each child;
- the committee will provide a buffet for the children; and
- Gary to try to sort Santa's sleigh to go around the village before Christmas.

Over 60s party - Saturday 9th December from 2.00 pm onwards

- Jason to provide the buffet for the Over 60s party as usual;
- Jackie had agreed to make a trifle;
- Collette had arranged a DJ/entertainer for the afternoon; and
- Marianne to e-mail villagers asking for names of the villagers due to attend the party and to appeal for raffle prizes.

Regarding funding applied for for the parties; a cheque had been received towards the cost from the Hilda Clarke Memorial Fund and a funding application submitted to Lancashire County Council as suggested by County Councillor Peter Britcliffe. A decision from LCC is awaited.

The remaining £150 of the Syke Mill's UKI donation to the committee is to be used to benefit the villagers on events arranged by the village committee during the summer months.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Dog mess around the village, especially at the bottom of the village, had once again become an issue. Enquiries to be made to the Councils about the possibility of their providing additional dog poo bins.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next formal meeting will be held on Wednesday 10 January 2018 at 7.30 pm in the Dog Inn.