

BELTHORN VILLAGE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 5 April 2017
in The Dog Inn, Belthorn

Members Present: Collette & Gary Riding, Marianne Davies, Garry Ryan and Judith Hamilton

Also Present: County Councillor Peter Britcliffe

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APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Clive Carroll sent an apology for absence and an apology from Hyndburn Councillor Lisa Allen was also received.	
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were no declarations of interest.	
MINUTES OF THE 1 MARCH 2017 MEETING FOR APPROVAL The minutes of the last meeting were approved as a correct record.	
MATTERS ARISING <u>Charity Commission</u> – Since Jason had not prepared a formal “change of trustees” form to be signed by the old committee trustees as he agreed, Marianne checked the Charity Commission web site and discovered that no formal notices were required but simply a change of names on their register. She would therefore delete the old committee members and replace them with existing members.	Marianne
CORRESPONDENCE No correspondence had been received.	
TREASURER'S REPORT Judith reported that cash account figures hadn't changed significantly. She would ring the CAF bank to advise that unless they could drop the £5 monthly charge the committee would change the bank account to the HSBC charity account where there is no monthly charge.	Judith
EASTER AND MAY DAY SOCIAL EVENTS UPDATE Easter Event Last minute arrangements for the Easter Egg event were discussed. It would be held on 17 April, Easter Monday, with a start time of 2.00 pm. Garry or Yvonne to arrange advertising posters and both Garry and Gary to	Garry/ Gary and Clive

<p>block off parts of upstairs rooms as necessary on the day.</p> <p>Marianne would notify villagers of the event on her Belthorn e-mail database.</p> <p>May Day Event</p> <p>The village May Day Parade, where children dance around the village maypole, will be held this year on Sunday 30 April starting at the memorial at the bottom of Belthorn as usual and working its way up the village before gathering in the Dog Inn. Children's games would be held in the function room and buffet refreshments served.</p> <p>Jennie had agreed to organise the decoration of the Dog Inn again for the event and Yvonne had been asked if the school would nominate a May Day king and queen for the day.</p>	<p>Marianne</p>
<p>SUMMER SOCIAL EVENTS UPDATE</p> <p>Summer Social events were discussed in principle and would be discussed further at a later meeting when more details would be available about the franchise for the new restaurant and its opening date. Suggestions for events included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cycling event following the success of last year's day. Garry to discuss with Mick Fenton who played a major part in last year's event. • Summer BBQ at the Dog Inn again this year following the fantastic Olympic themed sports day held last year. 	<p>Garry</p>
<p>BONFIRE/FIREWORK DISPLAY 2017 POSSIBLE DATES</p> <p>At the request of the Chair of the Dog Inn group, dates for the annual firework display/bonfire were considered but since neither Clive nor Paul Carroll were present and as it was felt that neither would be able to give their free dates until nearer the time it was agreed to discuss this at a later meeting and discuss the suggested dates with the Dog Inn Chair when they were available.</p>	
<p>SECURITY CAMERAS FOR VILLAGE TOP LAY-BYES</p> <p>Marianne reported that she had e-mailed the PACT police special regarding funding for security cameras but had received no reply. Gary advised that the issue of security cameras hidden in the hedges at the top of the village to record fly-tipping had been discussed in the Dog Inn and would hopefully be installed.</p> <p>It was also reported that two villagers were in training to use police speed guns to record speeding vehicles through the village resulting in warnings or prosecutions.</p>	
<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p>Dog Fouling on the Rec – It was felt that dog fouling was not a major issue on the rec and it therefore not appropriate for the village to be included in the Council's consultation scheme on the issue of keeping dogs on or off leads whilst on parks and recreation grounds.</p>	

Official Opening of the Dog Inn restaurant – since County Councillor and Leader of Hyndburn's Conservative party, Peter Britcliffe, was a huge supporter of Belthorn, attends many village meetings and has part-funded the village's Christmas parties for many years, the committee felt that, as he is due to become the Mayor of Hyndburn in May, he would be a good choice to officially open the new Dog Inn restaurant.

He indicated that he would be happy to open the restaurant if the Dog Inn board felt it appropriate and if he was invited by the Dog Inn board through the normal Council process.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Taking account of May Day events and members' holidays, the next meeting will be held on Wednesday 17 May at 7.30 pm in the Dog Inn.