

BELTHORN VILLAGE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held at 6.30 pm on Tuesday 6 October 2020

in The Dog Inn, Belthorn

Members Present: Gary and Collette Riding, Marianne Davies, Tina Walker and Judith Hamilton

Also Present: Craig Steele and Yvonne Brown

	Action
<p>1. 100 PLUS CLUB - 10th Monthly Draw of the year was taken on the first Tuesday of the month as usual and drawn by the Dog Inn barmaid on duty.</p> <p>Owing to Covid 19 the monthly draw was held during a socially distanced committee meeting.</p> <p>Winner of the 1st prize of £58.80 - ticket number 164, S Nuttall</p> <p>Winner of the 2nd prize of £33.60 - ticket number 9, J McGurk</p> <p>Winner of the 3rd prize of £25.20 - ticket number 142, C Carroll</p> <p>Winner of the 4th prize of £16.80 - ticket number 2, D & S Thornber</p>	
<p>2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p>There were no apologies for absence.</p>	
<p>3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>	
<p>4. MINUTES OF THE 1ST SEPTEMBER 2020 MEETING FOR APPROVAL</p> <p>The minutes of the last meeting were approved as a correct record.</p>	
<p>5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MINUTES</p> <p><u>Notice Board, top of the village</u> – Marianne explained that there had been a delay in making the notice board but her neighbour was still working on it when he was able and that it was looking great so far.</p>	
<p>6. CORRESPONDENCE</p> <p>No correspondence had been received.</p>	
<p>7. TREASURER'S REPORT</p> <p>Judith reported that there was no change in finances from last month but that she had received a letter from the Dog Inn Board advising the village committee</p>	

of their AGM, due to be held over Zoom, on 19th October.

8. SECURITY CAMERA/S – TOP OF VILLAGE

Marianne reported on the meeting she held with Hyndburn Council's Bill Berry and the advice he offered regarding security cameras. Permission must be obtained from owners of any lamp posts before siting camera and, taking data protection laws into consideration, all security cameras sited must display a warning notice to the public. Hyndburn have a couple of mobile cameras to be sited for a temporary period only, therefore not suitable for our purpose. Any suitable footage obtained from our camera could be used by Hyndburn BC to prosecute offenders or they would pass it to the police for action.

Craig referred to a meetings held with his contact and supplier Nick, who had installed and maintained the security cameras for the Dog Inn. Nick had explained that solar cameras were not suitable for the village and that electric cameras were our best option. He would be able to supply the pole and equipment needed but an electrical supply would need to be tapped into from a nearby source.

- 1. Agreed: Gary to contact Chris and Jean Nuttall, as the last house at the top of the village, appealing to Chris for him to dig a 2 ft trench through his field to the ENPR security camera site which would allow an electricity cable be installed from his property to the camera. Also for Chris and Jean to be asked to host the monitoring box on their premises. Expenses to cover costs would be provided to Chris and Jean.**

Gary

This camera would not only deter fly-tippers and speeding traffic but could afford extra security for farms, premises and houses at the top of the village since it would be a top of the range, high spec unit which could be of help in cases of crime or vandalism anywhere in the village.

- 2. Marianne offered to apply for funding to cover the costs involved and/or appeal to the many villagers who have complained about the waste dumped in the lay byes at the top of the village who may be happy to contribute towards running or installation charges.**
- 3. Craig was awaiting price details from Nick (possibly £3,500 to £5,000) and agreed to e-mail them to the committee as soon as they were received.**

Marianne

Craig

It was noted that instances of waste tipping and public nuisance at the bottom of village had greatly declined following the installation of the camera at the bottom of Belthorn Road.

8. SOCIAL EVENTS

Yvonne attended the meeting to outline suggested social activities for the children to celebrate Halloween and Christmas. Arrangements for the village's senior citizens meals in early December were yet to be agreed by the Board and by the village school.

The usual parties held in the Dog Inn, together with the annual firework display, were ruled out as impractical owing to the present Covid 19 regulations but hopefully, as last year, Santa could be asked drive through the village on his sleigh close to Christmas Eve.

Agreed: Yvonne and Louise Simpson Brown to make arrangements.	Yvonne/ Louise
9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS There was no other business to discuss.	
10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING The next meeting, including the monthly 100 Plus Club draw, will be held on Tuesday 3 rd November at 7.00 pm in the Dog Inn - unless a further meeting to discuss security camera issues was needed.	