

## Minutes of the Sutton Poyntz Society Committee Meeting of 8 May 2019 at the Mission Hall

**Present:** Jez Cunningham, Hilary Davidson, Jackie Greet, Peter Riley, Jill Kelsey, Marianna Dodd, David Burge, Linda Kirkpatrick and Andy Hohne. **Also Present:** Chris Hubbard,

HD, Chairperson, opened the meeting at 7.30pm

- 1) **Apologies:** Shirley Davies, Chris Balfe,
- 2) **Minutes of previous meetings:** The Minutes of the 13 March 2019 meeting were approved and signed by HD
- 3) **Minutes of AGM:** The Minutes of the AGM on 10 April 2019 were approved and signed by HD

**Matters Arising** There were no matters arising

### **Continuing Actions from previous meetings**

**ACTION 8/250718 CH** Update to Welcome Leaflet, including adding Straceys 10 % residents discount

**ACTION 8/141118 JC** A metal insert needed for the beacon basket. Cost for a suitable piece of steel £32 - £54.

Contact Simon Grant-Jones for advice

**ACTION 10/121218 BE** contact Janet Craig re photos of Miss Harrison's Old Orchard House

**ACTION 6/130319 CH** Newsletter mention hard copy Place Appraisal availability 'at cost' (circa £4.50)

**ACTION 9/130319 MD** Report after next 4 Halls Fete committee planning meeting.

4) **Additional items (new and repeat) not on the Agenda:** Add Item 6h Pimms and Ploughman's

### 5) **General allocation of responsibilities**

Posters and advertising - JC; Catering - JG & SD; Repairs, and maintenance - DB; External publicity (papers etc) - DB; Events diary - MD. Each event would have a lead person.

MD role as Events co-ordinator to be made known in Newsletter

**ACTION 1/080519 CH**

Direct website email link to MD from Calendar. Ask Bill Egerton to add

**ACTION 2/080519 MD**

Hard copy print of month (ideally two) from Calendar on Village notice board

**ACTION 3/080519 MD**

### 6) **Village Events/Activities**

#### 6a **Coffee Mornings**

Small, local charities preferred as beneficiaries. Lead for winter coffee mornings is PR; lead for summer, Jean Cunningham, Maureen Morris and HD.

#### 6b **Summer BBQ**

It was noted that the proposed date, Sunday 16 June is Fathers' Day, and the advisability of this date was debated, with an alternative of the same day as the Vegetable Show. Ultimately it was decided to go with 16 June. CB doing bread; AH & DB cooking - burgers, sausages, onions, cheese bacon(?) plus dessert; charge £10/head; bring own drinks; 12.30 start; AH contact for bookings - places limited to 65 maximum. Planning meeting to be held Monday 20 May at 14.00 at LKs house. Newsbite needed **ACTION 4/080519 CH**

#### 6c **Village Walk**

The Elm Tree has a new tenant so Richard Backwell is considering repeating a previous evening walk from the Swan at Abbotsbury on the same date, Tuesday 18 June. Meals will be pre-ordered on arrival and dogs are welcome on the walk.

**6d Cream Teas:** Date set for Saturday 20 July

#### 6e **Vegetable Show**

Date set for Saturday 3 August. Discussion of possible extra categories e.g. jam, chutneys, bread, wobbly vegetables. JC volunteered to consult notes of wash-up meeting held after last year. **ACTION 5/080519 JC**

#### 6f **Scarecrow Competition**

To start on Saturday, 20 July and conclude at the Vegetable Show. Leads are Liz Balfe and Caroline Crisp. The Press will be contacted to provide article and pictures. Present holder of trophy unknown.

**[PMN Consulting past Newsletters it looks as though the last Scarecrow Competition was held in 2014 and the winner was Barry White]**

#### 6g **Gardening 'Club'**

LK hoped this would involve people who might not attend other social events, but it was not proposed to form a club as e.g. speakers were expensive. The activity would include information placed on the website, plant swaps at coffee mornings, visits to gardens elsewhere, becoming friends of another gardening organisation e.g. an allotment shop. Leaflets would be delivered to every house with information on the gardening club proposals. JK noted that Ann Dye was going to join a local gardening organisation to see what went on, and was prepared to give a demonstration of Christmas wreath making.

**6h Pimms and Ploughman's :** Date set for 31 August

### 7) **Other village matters**

#### 7a **Additional notices re the location of the defibrillator (as per the AGM)**

A number of new location notices had been noted around the village. The present site of the unit was

thought unfortunate, but general feeling was that relocation would not be practical. All to check on present location notices, and the unit location should be mentioned in the Welcome Leaflet. Another CPR/Defib course was thought desirable, and JC would investigate this possibility. **ACTION 6/080519 JC**  
Awareness of the unit location to be raised via a Newsbite. **ACTION 7/080519 CH**

**7b Seat at bus stop needs mending**

DB will mend if possible. **ACTION 8/080519 DB**

**7c Press releases re pond work**

Thoughts that this generates as much negative comment as positive publicity, so no action to be taken.

**7d Constitution amendment 2(h) and continuing ban of village household from the Springhead**

The history of this two year ban was outlined (the ban does not include the Spice Ship). It was felt that the Springhead supports the village in many ways, but that a reconciliation meeting would be brokered, which the Society Chair would attend in listening mode.

**8) Correspondence - regarding vehicular access through Puddledock Lane**

A letter concerning the reluctance of delivery drivers to enter Puddledock Lane from the west due to overhanging trees. The occupier of the land would, it appears, have an obligation to keep access clear to rights of way, but the lane is clearly signed as unsuitable for motors. A reply of no further information available to be sent to enquirer. **ACTION 9/080519 AH**

**9) Communications**

**9a Welcome leaflet** - in work; **Newsletter** - add that the village notice board is open to advertise wanted or for sale items; **Newsbites, Website** - nothing to report

**10) Treasurer's Report**

In : Donation of £918 for history board; £86 subscriptions.

Out: £23 AGM refreshments and printing; £10 dispenser in Telephone Box

Excess In over Out: £962 leaving over £7000 in the accounts

**11) Company Secretary matters**

**11a Resolution to add Dave Burge as a director and signatory of CIC** - agreed

**11b Resolution to remove Bill Egerton as a director and signatory of CIC** - agreed

**11c Resolution to add Hilary Davidson as a signatory of the Society** - HD would prefer not to be a signatory so DB proposed instead. Agreed

**12) Subscriptions**

**12a Do we continue with them?** Unanimous agreement to continue

**12b If yes, volunteers to collect subs** It was thought undesirable to terminate current collectors in favour of committee taking over the role. AH will list of volunteers and their collection areas. **ACTION 10/080519 AH**

**13) Any other business**

There is £350 left from the pond grant which can be used to purchase big rocks. **ACTION 11/080519 DB/AH**

JG has a gazebo which is surplus to requirements, but as this is of the 'pole' type the offer was declined. [PMN

**It has now been found a new home]**

**14) Date of next meeting:** Wednesday 12 June at 7.30pm in the Mission Hall

The meeting closed at 9.42pm

**Completed actions from previous meetings:**

**ACTION 3/060219 AH** Ask John Bellis to examine the accounts prior to the AGM

**ACTION 4/060219 BE** The AGM agenda to be produced by BE.

**ACTION 5/060219 JC/CH** Notices about the AGM would be produced by JC and Newsbites sent out.

**ACTION 1/130319 AH** To procure wine/soft drinks for the AGM

**ACTION 2/130319 BE** To collate a draft AGM documentation pack for consideration

**ACTION 3/130319 CH** Newsbite giving details of AGM

**ACTION 4/130319 BE** To advise on the Neighbourhood Planning section of the Committee Report

**ACTION 5/130319 BE** Write to Peter Dye, Colin Marsh and Katarina Blee with gratitude for their hard work

**ACTION 7/130319 MD** Organise additional meeting before the AGM to discuss possible events

**ACTION 8/130319 MD** Ask Richard Backwell for ideas and dates for Village Walks.

**ACTION 10/130319 BE** Letter of thanks to Tony Ferrari and the councillors for the grant for the pond work.

**ACTION 11/130319 BE** Letter of thanks to the Springhead for the refreshments after the pond clearance

**ACTION 12/130319 DB** The bench refurbished by DB has a broken slat. He will investigate replacing it. **ACTION**

**13/130319 DB/JC** Slabs needed in front of a) this bench, and b) the board at the south of the pond.

**ACTION 14/130319 JC** Circulate preferred options for the replacement beacon bench

Minutes agreed and approved: H. Davidson.

Date: 12.6.19.