

**Minutes of the Sutton Poyntz Committee Meeting held on August 10<sup>th</sup> 2022 at the Mission Hall**

**Present:** Hilary Davidson; Shirley Davies; Sue Smith; Linda Kirkpatrick; Kirsty Masone; Jez Cunningham; Jon Waterman.

	<b>Minutes/Actions</b>	<b>Who</b>
1	<b>Apologies:</b> Kevin Pearce; Jackie Greet; Andy Hohne; Jackie Raw; Lizzie Bergman Peck.	
2	<b>Minutes of previous meeting July 13<sup>th</sup></b> were accepted. <b>Matters arising:</b> Mission Hall update. LK reported that the committee were not holding a Village cream tea this year. Disappointment was expressed as it is one of the long standing events of the summer and the SPS had offered to run it if the MH committee did not feel able to. Some clearing of the Hall had taken place; she will pursue the suggestion that the walk-in cupboard could have shelves to provide more storage. LK has also put forward the offer of the SPS going halves with the MH to provide a second defibrillator.	
3	<b>Lessons from previous events:</b> Veg show – It was agreed that there was a disappointing number of entries this year although it was still an enjoyable event. Some ideas were put forward to raise the profile: jam /cake making; children's gardens. We will run the scarecrow competition, put off this year because of the Jubilee celebrations.	
4	<b>Coffee Mornings:</b> Jean Cunningham and Maureen Morris are running the kitchen. SS is away in September; LK to organize. We will look at speakers for the winter.	LK
5	<b>Forthcoming Events:</b> Barn Dance (Oct 29) booked. 'Straceys' are providing fish and chips. Plan to do another quiz possibly on Nov 26 <sup>th</sup> . AH to book with Maureen. JW to investigate a Village Christmas tree. Are MH doing carols with Salvation Army? LK to check.	AH LK
6	<b>Biodiversity:</b> AH is liaising with Dave Emery over payment for the hedgerow trees for which we have a £1500 grant. Although tree planting has proved to be problematic, all this is part of the Jubilee green canopy. There will be a planting working party in the Autumn for this and for bulbs. There will be a 'top of the pond' clear in February which will then be maintained.	
7	<b>Treasurer's Report:</b> Victorian Fayre committee have funded the bench by the pond.	
8	<b>Subscriptions:</b> Details are possibly not up to date and the data needs simplifying . KM looking at this. More subs have been collected. Every newsbite advertising an event will remind people they can pay then. <i>Post meeting update: Andy has confirmed that the Subs spreadsheet is up to date. Households with 2 e mail addresses may have caused some confusion.</i>	
10	<b>AOB:</b> Peter Jones forwarded an e mail sent from the CPRE stating that “Dorset Council has secured extra time to prepare its new Local Plan . Dorset CPRE and Dorset Deserves Better welcome this and call on the Council to use this time to consult and work openly with communities on a Local Plan that responds to local people's concerns, priorities and needs.” As Peter said, “This is a win for community involvement”. JW will be putting in a 'bridge' to the new bench, KM offered to help. It was agreed that controversial or critical letters/e mails which involve the SPS committee should be forwarded to all and receive an agreed response.	
12	<b>Next meeting: September 14<sup>th</sup> 7pm.</b> Mission Hall.  Agenda items to include: Barn dance; Bulb planting working party; Quiz; Coffee morning speakers; Open Gardens.	

H Davidson