

<u>Minutes from Ordinary Meeting held on Monday 23rd November</u> 2020

The meeting was held virtually by Zoom following Government social distancing guidelines and started at 3pm.

In attendance: Helen Whitehead (Chair), Brenda Stratton (Deputy Chair), Lynda Kirkbright (Treasurer), Judith Cockburn (Secretary), Margaret Chapman, Wendy Shepherd, Heather Hawes. Olivia Ryder (Church Representative) and Derek Stratton (PBPC).

1 Apologies and Approval of the Minutes:

No apologies were received.

The minutes from the meeting held on 21st September 2020 were approved by the Committee and signed as such by the Chair. The Chair thanked Cllr Derek Stratton for volunteering to join the meeting.



2 Treasurer's report:

Lynda reported that the Committee had recently spent £331 on Christmas lights, flower bulbs and printing for the Newsletter. She informed the Committee that she had increased the petty cash limit and said she would review this again in future and increase as required after seeking permission from the Committee.

3 Patrick Brompton Parish Council:

Cllr Derek Stratton reported that the PC had held their last meeting on 10th November and the items discussed were:

Village Bus Shelter: - The grant application had been submitted, there should be a decision on 16th December.

Faster Broadband: The PC are to carry out a public consultation in the village to find out people's views on whether they would like and if they are willing to pay for faster broadband. This would be discussed at a future meeting.

Drains: - on the A684 are to be checked and cleared.

Village Christmas Tree: - Robert Hudson has kindly offered to donate this year's tree. The lights will be switched on at 4:30pm on Saturday 5th December at the same time as the other lights in the village.

Green Tree pub: - There was a new planning application which could be viewed on the Richmondshire Council website. The Council would encourage anyone to comment online if they wished to do so. There was to be a Zoom meeting to discuss the application on 25th November. Log-in details could be found on the PB Parish Council website The next Council meeting was scheduled for 12th January 2021 starting at 7:30pm by Zoom.

4 Newsletter:

The Committee agreed that as there no events taking place there was little to include in a Newsletter. However, a brief flyer would be published containing: lights switch on, 5th December at 4:30pm, villagers are encouraged to switch their own lights on at the same time. Carol singing (if possible), and a Christmas message. To keep the publishing costs down Brenda suggested trying to email as many Newsletters as possible and would request anyone who was happy to receive an online Newsletter to provide us with their email addresses which will be kept securely in line with Data Protection regulations. Brenda has volunteered to collate a list of postal/ email addresses.



5 Litter pick, 26th September update:

The usual crew of litter pickers turned out and collected approximately 6 bags of litter which was collected by Richmondshire Council. Helen has stored the high visibility jackets, litter pickers etc. for future use. As this is an ongoing problem, a new litter pick date to be agreed at the next meeting

6 Bulb planting, 25th October update:

Helen reported that although there was a good turnout of helpers we were unable to purchase enough bulbs this year due to the short supply and high cost. Heather kindly agreed to take pictures of the flowers throughout the village in spring so that we have a better idea of where to plant next year.

7 Christmas Lights:

The Christmas lights were to be switched on at 4:30pm on Saturday 5th December. All members agreed to man a tree and switched them on at the same time.

Outside the Green Tree - Heather and Dave
Jubilee Green - Margaret and Dave
Opposite the Church - Lynda and Gary, Helen and Brian (2 trees)
Green opposite Ivy House -Brenda and Derek (2 trees)
Behind the Chevrons on the bend - Judith and Nigel
Manor Green - Wendy and Grahame
Judith to purchase more batteries.

8 Carol Singing, 19th December:

As we were unclear as to which Tier we would be in after lock down the decision to hold the Carol singing was deferred until nearer the date.



9 AOB:

Brenda asked if the books for the book swap in the Bus Shelter needed to be in boxes for the winter. All agreed to monitor as this would create another layer of Covid 19 risk. If was agreed to postpone the suggestion of a book shelf by Lynda until after the roof had been repaired. Events for 2021 would be added to the next Agenda. Thank you to Brenda who offered two Chimney pots for village to be placed at each side of the bench opposite the Bus Shelter. Brenda would save these until 2021, plant them and maintain them.

Olivia mentioned that Age UK were collecting filled shoe boxes for gifts for the elderly. These could be dropped off at Platform 1 Café at Bedale Tuesday to Sunday, 10 -2pm until 6th December. Anyone who would like more information can email Kate Marriott at;

kate.marriott@ageuknyd.org.uk

Wendy suggested that the Committee should send a response to the planning application for the Green Tree. All agreed to support the application. The Chair would write a response and email round for approval.

Helen said she would like the Committee to acknowledge Remembrance week in some way next year. This would be added to the list of events at the next meeting. Could all members please send their events 2021 ideas to Judith before the next meeting so these can be added to the Agenda.

1 Date and location of next meeting:

0 Next meeting to be held by Zoom on 18th January 2021 starting at 3pm.