PATRICK BROMPTON COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE - MINUTES



Minutes from Ordinary meeting held on Monday 22nd March 2021

The meeting was held virtually by zoom following Government social distancing guidelines and commenced at 3:28pm after the AGM.

<u>In attendance</u>: Helen Whitehead, Brenda Stratton, Lynda Kirkbright, Wendy Shepherd, Margaret Chapman, Heather Hawes, Judith Cockburn, Jessica Brudenell, Hilary Clark and Grahame Shepherd (representative for Parish Council)

1. Apologies:

None received.

2. Approval of minutes:

The minutes from the meeting on 23rd November 2020 and 18th January 2021 were approved and signed as such by the Chair.

3. Treasurer's report:

This was already covered in the AGM, no further update.

4. Patrick Brompton Parish Council update:

- At the last meeting the Council reviewed the Village Plan. A revised plan will be circulated following the next meeting in May.
- The bus shelter roof has now been repaired. The interior is to be painted soon.
- Highways are to relay the surface tarmac on the main road shortly. There is
 to be a 40mph speed limit around the A684 west side crossroads along with
 the closure of the layby opposite Ward's transport. This should be completed
 soon.
- The village has been offered a memorial bench by Guy Nevett (grandson of Bill Nevett, jockey from Dalesend). This has been agreed by RDC and will replace the bench at the bus stop.
- The work to try to improve the Broadband speed in the Village has stalled as the only option is to replace the copper cable with fibre optic which is too expensive.

- The Parish Precept has increased for 2021-22 based on the need to improve assets such as footpaths and undertake remedial maintenance of trees. Also, to purchase new Christmas tree lights.
- Highways have recommended "refusal" of planning for the Green Tree based on the inadequate parking. There has been no decision from RDC as yet.

5. Litter pick, Saturday 27th March:

All volunteers to meet at 11 am at the Old Schoolroom. Helen will allocate the areas for couples to collect litter, hand out pickers, high viz vests and black bags. Could all rubbish collected be taken home and put in your own bin please.

ACTION: An up to date Risk Assessment is required. Judith/ Helen to complete and sign. A hard copy will be available and held by the Chair on the day.

6. Easter decorations in the Village:

Wendy has acquired a tree branch o plant in a container. This will be placed in the Bus Shelter from 30th March for anyone to decorate with Easter decorations (either home-made or bought). Brenda has also bought bunting to decorate the Bus Shelter.

7. Emergency Incident Group:

Cllr Shepherd informed the Committee that the Parish Council were required to complete an Emergency Plan in the event of any major incident in the Village such as a major flood or accident. He hoped that the Parish Council and the Events Committee could work together to complete a plan. A template would be helpful and Cllr Shepherd would ask other Parish Council's for their help. All Committee members agreed that they were happy to help formulate a plan. This will be discussed further once more information has been received.

8. Tree Planting:

Wendy explained that the National Trust were running a campaign to encourage communities to plant blossom trees. After discussion, it was decided that no suitable places were available in the Village. Therefore this suggestion has been shelved for the time being.

9. Newsletter:

Wendy will type the next Newsletter this week to include the litter pick on Saturday and the Easter decorations in the Bus Shelter. All Committee members to print out copies and deliver before Friday. Wendy will email to Committee members along with a list of who is to deliver where.

10. Committee Contact List:

Following the change in Committee members, Judith will update the list and circulate by email to all members.

11. Events for 2021:

Dependant on Covid-19 constraints, the Committee hope to start arranging events in the Village from 21st June 2021.

Suggestions so far:

- Scarecrow Trail through the Village Sept/Oct
- Bring your own picnic to convene on the Jubilee Green 14th August
- Seed exchange in the Bus Shelter seeds to be labelled please
- Planter/ Hanging basket Competition, Sunflower Competition 14th August judging
- BBQ on Jubilee Green 28th August (provisional date)
- A raffle to be organised at the picnic/BBQ (all donations gratefully accepted)
- Bring your own Coffee Morning on the Jubilee Green 10th July between 10am and 12 noon. (Anyone who requires assistance with transporting items please contact a Committee member)

12. AOB:

- Email addresses for Newsletter distribution to be added to next meeting's Agenda
- Snowdrop bulbs need to be thinned and moved (opposite Bus Shelter). Helen had requested permission from RDC – Agreed to do this after the litter pick on 27th March. Volunteers: WS, HW, BS, MC, HH
- The patch of ground next to the Bridge needs to be cleared at some point. Helen to find more information about RHS Community Gardens funding and bring back to next meeting.

13. Date and Location of next meeting:

Next meeting Monday 24th May 2021 at 3pm – by Zoom if restrictions still in place.

As there was no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 4.55pm.