**Whorlton Village Community Association**

**Minutes of Committee Meeting on 14th July 2022 at 7pm**

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| **Prepared by**  | **Mary Stastny**  |
| **Distribution of Minutes** | **E – mail**  |
| **Committee members present** | **Chris Connolly (Chair), Gillian Connolly (Treasurer), Mary Stastny (Secretary), Jane Robineau, Fred Robineau** |
| **Volunteers and Visitors** | **Ann Woodward** |

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| **Agenda Item**  | **Person****Responsible** |
| **1. Introduction:** CC noted that the meeting was just quorate and any major decisions might have to be deferred.**2. Apologies from** Joanne Davey, George Stastny, Ann Foster, Linda Alderson, Rodney Dawson |  |
| **3. Declarations of Interest** Nil |  |
| **4. Minutes of last meeting** Approved |  |
| **5. Review Actions:** * CC has seen a local mason about refurbishment of the Victoria Fountain and is awaiting a quote. Proposing a plaque instead of a new spout.
* FR Been in touch with the chosen contractor re boiler – they will come to replace it in August
* MS to identify enduring, indigenous trees suitable for commemoration of Jubilee, (this was done on 15th July) CC to write a piece in Flyer to ask residents which tree they prefer.
* CC is in touch with Bad Apple Theatre Company to see if they could perform in the autumn but date clashed with MS rehearsals in the hall. **PMN: Bad Apple discussions now on hold, but they will be contacted again in the New Year.**
 | **CC****MS. CC****CC** |
| **6. Finances** Funds are all healthy* £608 has been paid to PC for the new telephone box.
* The Hall needs decorating again (Terms of lease). FR asked that the Hall could be painted a different colour (lease requires magnolia) and we agreed that it would be possible until such time as it is returned to the Church, then it would have to be repainted Magnolia. To be revisited at the end of the year.
 | **GC** |
| **7. Boiler – FR** reported on his discussions – as above.  |  **FR** |
| **8. Bathroom –** The newToilets and Basin are proving very unreliable.FR proposed that the contractor could see to the bathroom when he is here in August – replace touch free with proper lever flushers and insert taps on to the basin. It’s all out of guarantee now. CC to contact the contractor now and ask them to look at the issue, preferably before the boiler fit. | **CC** |
| **9 Jubilee Tree Survey****PMN: This now done and a note to be placed in the Flyer (Aug edition). The options are: Chestnut, Oak, Yew, Beech. CC/GC to collect responses and report at the next meeting.** | **CC** |
| **10. Hallmark Accreditation*** CC has been looking at the Hallmark Accreditation Scheme, an ACRE system of demonstrating that the Charity/Hall is being run correctly. It might help with future funding requests. It has 3 levels of classification and we would appear to be largely compliant with level 1 already. More work would be required to reach the other two levels. There is no cost involved to the WVCA, but CC/GC will have some additional work to do and will call in assistance as required from other Trustees. It was agreed that CC would make a formal approach to begin the process.
 | **CC** |
| 1. **Recent events**
* Platinum Jubilee and The Gunpowder Plot went well. GC reported that we are still awaiting our share of the box office, so MS will contact James Hyde directly to sort it out.
* The new, weekly yoga class on Wednesdays is great!
 | **MS** |
| 1. **Upcoming events**

* Jazz Evening – Saturday 10th September. The food for the event will be prepared by several residents using a common recipe. Tickets £15 - Fizz, Supper and Music. (8 musicians). CC/GC to organise with AW in support. First advert in Aug Flyer
* Bonfire Night – Reviewed the event in the light of tiny income of £97 last year. CC & GC are not supporters of the event. FR on the fence. CC made the point that very few people from village come to it, there are inherent risks with fire/fireworks and the outlay is significant. MS suggested that no decision should be taken until more members were present at next meeting in September. **Agreed**
* FR suggested that the Christmas Tree Event returns to the middle of the green and that we have carols and mulled wine again and braziers – he felt that it would be a good alternative to bonfire night. Possibly followed by a pot luck supper in the hall? To be discussed at next meeting.
* Open Gardens next year will be **Sunday 25th June 2023**
* Gardeners Question Time – next spring, March/April time. MS will try to get three panellists
 | **CC****FR****MS** |
| 1. **AOB** Nil

**14. Date of the next meeting** Thursday 22nd September 7pm |  |