

Whorlton Village Community Association

Minutes of Trustee and Volunteers Meeting on Wednesday 8th December 2021

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Committee members present	Chris Connolly (Chair), Mary Stastny (Secretary), Gillian Connolly (Treasurer), George Stastny, Ann Foster
Volunteers	Dave Catterson, Ann Woodward

Agenda Item	Person Responsible
1. Apologies from Peter & Michele Bigge, Linda Alderson, Fred & Jane Robineau, Liz Treadway, Rodney Dawson.	
2. Chairman’s Introduction It was short!	
3. Declarations of Interest: GS and PB are members of the Parish Council.	
4. Minutes of last meeting: Approved and cleared for addition to website	MS
5. Action Review: All necessary, immediate actions from last meeting have been completed.	
6. Finances <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diane is discontinuing the Pilates classes in the hall as there is insufficient demand in the village. She has offered an alternative venue. • A new coffee maker has been bought. • A quote has been requested for fitting a new boiler, but has not yet been received. GS to chase. • Tully’s have charged for all repairs and alterations, but GS is to chase him for the dysfunctional toilet flusher. • Bonfire Night made a small profit of £97. Better than usual however. • Last coffee morning was less well attended – thought partly to be due to a clash with the Farmers Market. Nevertheless, it was agreed that the Coffee Mornings are quickly becoming a major event in the WVCA calendar. 	GS GS
7. A cleaner has been found for the Hall, Bernie Smith – she lives in the village and comes on Mondays.	
8. COVID Precautions (and Coffee Mornings) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CC stated that he did not intend to introduce any radical changes to the standard Covid precautions in the Hall, but had further spaced out the tables for the previous Saturday’s event. This included making use of the stage for seating. Hall Covid procedures would be reviewed if necessary. • It was proposed that the Coffee Mornings would shift to the Second Saturday of the month in 2022 to deconflict with the Farmers Market. 	

<p>CC would approach LT and RB to see if this would be an option, as organisers it would be their call. In any event, the January CM will be on 8 January (2nd Saturday) to de-conflict with New Year's Day.</p> <p>(Post Meeting Note: After 8 January the CMs will continue on the first Saturday of the month due to the availability of the organisers. LT would inform the Flyer)</p>	<p>CC</p>
<p>9. Bonfire Night</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CC thanked the Robineaus for their massive contribution to the success of Bonfire Night and everyone else who got involved. It was very well attended by people from well beyond the village. The arrangement for launching the fireworks worked very well. CC has spoken with Keith and thanked him for the use of the field. 	
<p>10 Future Events</p> <p>a) Christmas Tree Lighting. MS had collected the tree, kindly provided once again by Jonathan. CC and GC would instal the lights before Sunday's 'light up' (and pub opening !!!!)</p> <p>b) Platinum Jubilee Friday 3rd June 2022 – Date agreed. We will celebrate with a hog roast (and village contributions)– GC has booked it.</p> <p>There was a discussion about how to commemorate the Jubilee. CC suggested a tree on the Green, but GS warned against it, saying it could lead to a forest if all such requests were granted. So DC suggested a permanent Christmas Tree outside the pub – this was more acceptable to some. Another idea, from MS, was a large curved bench where walkers and cyclists can gather, picnic and chat, near the Village Hall. No decision was taken – but discussion to be on the agenda at the next meeting when more Committee members are present. This will be a question for the Village, not just the Committee, so opinion will need to be canvassed.</p> <p>c) Three Inch Fools – 21 June 2022. The deposit of £600 has been paid.</p> <p>d) Pygmalion will be presented by The Castle Players on Sunday 6th February at 3pm. CC noted that seating will be limited and looked for assurances that residents of the Parish would get adequate opportunity to book tickets. To highlight the event early, MS would put posters up in December.</p> <p>e) Open Gardens 24th April. GC queried the need to do teas, MS said that the teas are part of the attraction and make a lot of money.</p>	<p>GC/CC</p> <p>MS</p> <p>MS</p>

<p>11 Ideas for Future:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More ideas are needed for our Events diary – some of the ideas we considered are: Wine tasting, Pot Luck Supper, Themed Night with supper and entertainment, Games Night, Jazz Night, Gardener’s Question Time in April just before Open Gardens? All great ideas, but requiring volunteers to organise! 	All
<p>12. AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GS told the meeting that the locksmith is putting a lock on the cupboard in the hall and a new door on the little alcove by the kitchen door. • GC says the Green Room needs sorting out before the actors arrive in February. She will arrange a ‘Spring Clean’ day in January. Volunteers will be required. 	GC

Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 2 February 7pm