

<p>important in that case that the spout is remade and attached. That said, the cost may be prohibitive (Post Meeting Note: CC has spoken with the Mason and he is in the process of drawing up a quote. CC has also secured permission for the work to commence from the landowner).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A proposal to defer the planting of a tree until the coronation was discussed but not accepted – MS reminded the committee that the Queen had wanted a green canopy to commemorate her jubilee. • A Copper Beech Tree is to be planted on the green and a commemorative plaque is to be created and attached to a large stone. (Post Meeting Note: CC has discussed this with the Mason) • Peter Bigge to source the tree with Toby and arrange transport. • CC has checked with Northumbrian Water that there are no drains in the planting area. GS to confirm the PC-approved position for the tree planting. • JR suggested that a formal gathering should be made for the planting • MS urged that the tree should be planted this side of Christmas, preferably in October or November. 	<p>PB & CC</p> <p>GS</p>
<p>10. Hallmark Accreditation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An initial meeting with the DCC accreditor is imminent. CC explained the benefits of reaching at least Level 2 (of 3): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides a benchmark for future Cttee members on how to run the Hall. • Proof of accreditation may assist with future grant applications. 	<p>CC</p>
<p>11. Recent Events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Jazz evening was postponed due to the death of HM Queen Elizabeth. Finding a date before Xmas was proving difficult, so decision was taken to arrange it in the New Year. See ‘future events’. 	
<p>12. Upcoming events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 November Bonfire Night – There will be no bonfire night this year. JR felt that it should be discussed further but CC disagreed saying that he took soundings via email and as a result it is not going ahead, citing high risk, high costs, poor returns and too few officials to safely monitor the event as the principal reasons. • Christmas Tree – to be erected on the green and lights put up early in December. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ An official lighting event to take place on Friday 16th December when the Brass Band will come and we will sing carols and there will be braziers burning, hot chocolate or mulled wine. • The Castle Players will bring their touring show, The Radio Revellers to the hall in February – date to be confirmed. • Gardeners Question Time. MS told the committee that three prominent landscape gardeners and nursery men have agreed to come to Whorlton’s GQT. She will check with them if they will be charging. 	<p>GS, CC, GC</p> <p>MS/LT</p> <p>MS</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ RD suggested that the evening could be combined with a Pot Luck Supper. No decision taken but it will be considered at a later date. With free supper for the panellists. ○ Date proposed is Saturday 18th March 7pm or Saturday 25th March – MS to write to the three men. ● Open Gardens Sunday 25th June ● Neville Dawson is proposing starting an Art Class in the hall. Start date to be 18th November 2.30 – 4.30. Advert needed in the Flyer – CC will assist in drafting. ● Jazz Evening to be moved to January, a Saturday preferably – AW to contact the band and suggest 21st. 	<p>MS</p> <p>MS</p> <p>CC</p> <p>AW</p>
<p>13. AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● RD noted that oil customers had in the past been able to spread their payments across the year rather than having to pay for 500l or more at a time. Although not WVCA business, CC decided to contact the suppliers and ask if this was an option. (Action complete – it is possible, but customers would be expected to pay any shortfalls immediately after delivery. The current volatility in the oil market is making standing order charges difficult to manage). ● RD suggested electric charging points to be put on the Green outside of the village hall. CC pointed out that any change of use for the green was the business of the Parish Council, but said in any case he would oppose it because that area is used for social events in the hall during the summer. ● MS and GS donated two tablecloths to the village hall. 	<p>CC</p>
<p>14. Date of the next meeting: Thursday 10th November at 1900.</p>	