

## Minutes of CAWS Committee Meeting – 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2017

**The Community Action: Whitley & Shaw (CAWS) committee met at Shaw Village Hall at 7.45 p.m. on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May.**

Michelle Tattersall (Chairperson) welcomed CAWS members Mike Booth (Secretary), Brian Roberts (Treasurer), Maureen Hibbott, Lesley Sibbald, Jane Hardwidge and Phil Alford (Local Councillor) and opened the meeting at 7.45 p.m.

**Apologies:** the following apologies were received from Richard and Elizabeth Bean, Ruth Gillings, Mark Ashowski and Mary Poole

### **Minutes of previous meeting (24<sup>th</sup> April 2017)**

Telephone boxes have been cleaned. If there are changes to the plans set out, please let Michelle or Mike know.

Thanks to everyone for the litter pick. The problem with dog fouling may be put on the agenda for next year.

### **Matters Arising**

Whitley Farm – planning. No plans have been submitted to the planning office at present.

### **Finance**

Brian reported that the account had £4335.17 made up of

CAWS - £2165.53

CEF – £1093.02

Recreation Fund - £1076.62

We have received a cheque from Waitrose and a grant of £380 from Melksham Without Parish Council. Michelle explained the different parts of the finance to Phil.

### **CAWS Objectives**

#### **1. Telephone boxes**

Teresa has the details of the boxes but as yet has been too busy with the council. A maintenance contract is being put together to be agreed by the committee

#### **2. Best Kept Village**

Judges had been round that day.

#### **3. Planters**

Three places have been decided –

Whites Corner

By the church near traffic lights

Bus stop near nursery in Top Lane

**Action – Mike** to co-ordinate a date to put them in place, as Highways have to be there.

Compost to be taken at the same time

#### **4. Recreational Working Group**

There are to be quotes from 9 companies with regard to play equipment

**5. Footpaths and stiles.**

MELW89 stile – an email from Jo.

**Action** – **Mike** to find the address of Paul Richards

**6. 30 mph stickers**

These have been stuck onto black bins and some blue ones. People seem very happy that something is being done.

**7. Summer Event 2017**

8<sup>th</sup> July

**Action** – **Richard** to do contingency plan

There is a problem with power in siting the stage in the top corner and we are looking to use someone's outside socket.

**Action** – **Michelle** to ask Geoff/Bernie

A local band is playing for just expenses. £50 for musicians.

Ice cream seller and face painter are booked. The ice cream seller is giving 20% of the profits and the face painter is giving a contribution

Drinks are being done by White Hart, Atworth

Barbecue and crepes are being done by the Scouts.

Meetings – 31 May, 13 June and 3 July at 7.30 p.m. at White Hart

Brian produced a spreadsheet of expenditure and income for the committee to see.

There was a discussion about the Portaloos, which we may not need - **Action Michelle** to asked Teresa about the rules. We are going to take donations on the day.

Lesley to ask Caroline in the local shop if we could have some sweets to sell on the day. Maureen to collect on 31<sup>st</sup> May.

**8. Community Emergency Group** – nothing to report

**9. Speed Watch Report**

Mike Booth will sign up for Speed Watch training at the earliest opportunity.

**10. Neighbourhood Plan**

Plan is ready with some preferred sites for building. There will be a consultation in the summer. The document will then go to Wiltshire Council for review, then an external review and then to a referendum.

**11. Connect Magazine**

A final issue is being edited by Sue and John Hardy with an appeal for an editor.

**Community News**

**Christmas at Lowden.** Sinclairs are holding 2<sup>nd</sup> December for us. Hire charge £350 with use of the restaurant if we can sell £50 tickets (minimum). Will provide buffet at £15/20 per head to include hot food and salads.

7-7.30 start but Lowden need to know end time. Apollo Light and Sound would be £250, but there is a music system in the restaurant, so we could take CDS. The Auction would be part of the evening. Beer/wine/soft drinks would be on sale.

**Action** – Decided to put a display on at the July event to see about interest in Christmas do. We also need a cut-off point to cancel the event if there is not enough take-up.

**Action – Maureen** to find out commitment date and cancellation date with no charges if tickets not sold. To ask for a buffet for £12.50/£15. To find out the cost of the deposit and give them a 10.30 p.m. finish.

### **Melksham Without Parish Council AGM**

Michelle reported that this was a really nice evening with a good community feel to it. It was well attended

**Correspondence** – None

### **Any Other Business**

- Meeting on Mondays clash with Parish council meetings.  
**Action – Mike** to check clashes
- PAFOS – Would like some help at their School Fete on 1<sup>st</sup> July 3-6 p.m.
- Lesley, Maureen and Jane gave their apologies for the next meeting due to holidays.

Meeting closed by Michelle thanking everyone for coming at 9.00 p.m.

**Date of Next Meeting – Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June 7.45 p.m. at Shaw Village Hall**