## **BELTHORN VILLAGE COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the meeting held at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 24 May2016 in The Dog Inn, Belthorn

Members	Present:
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Gary Riding Collette Riding Marianne Davies

Also present: Sam Edwards

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APOLOGIES	
Clive Carroll, Judith Hamilton and Andy Bain sent apologies for absence.	
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
There were no declarations of interest.	
MINUTES OF THE 26 APRIL 2016 MEETING FOR APPROVAL	
The minutes were approved as a correct record.	
MATTERS ARISING	
Charity Commission – Jason has not yet prepared a formal "change of trustees" form to be signed by the old committee trustees.	Jason
Village Garage – Gary would carry out the necessary garage repairs when work on the Dog Inn had finished	Gary
Belthorn Heritage Trail – Marianne had received an update from Blackburn with Darwen Council regarding work to complete the change from a footpath to a bridleway, advising that minor works were to be finished when further funding was available.	
CORRESPONDENCE	
There was no correspondence received.	
TREASURER'S REPORT	
Judith would present an update at a future meeting.	
SOCIAL EVENTS 2016	
<b>May Day Parade</b> – the event held on Bank Holiday Monday was considered another successful event held with a good turnout and many attending the celebrations in the Dog Inn afterwards. Donations were received for the village committee.	

The committee thanked Judith for donating the children's prizes and to Elspeth for making and donating the greetings cards for the winning children.

**Queen's Official Birthday – Sunday 5 June** – A BBQ to be held at the Dog Inn with fancy dress optional. The following arrangements for the day were discussed and agreed:

- Andy agreed to collect bread order from his colleague.
- Collette to e-mail villager Mark to ask if he would provide his usual quality meat for the BBQ.
- Sam to source bunting and paper tablecloths.
- Jennie to be asked to help with decorations.
- Judith to be asked to draw up posters.
- Extra foods (ketchup, onions etc) to be bought from Bookers.
- Marianne to e-mail Kathryn and Emma (Dog Inn team) to confirm and OK arrangements for BBQ and July Cycle ride.

**Scarecrow Competition** - A scarecrow competition with a Royal theme will be held in September. All scarecrows to be left outside villagers' front doors the previous day or on the morning of the day, depending on the weather.

Agreed - Clive to contact Radio Lancashire's Stephen Lowe if he would judge the scarecrow competition.

**Sunflower Seeds** – Clive and Diane had not yet distributed the seeds and since time is moving on and since neither was present at the meeting the committee was unsure what was happening on that project.

**Bingo nights at the Dog Inn** - Monthly bingo nights will be arranged for the second Wednesday of every month. A practice night for the committee to sort technical equipment and practicalities was held and everything worked OK. A start date would be set shortly and advertised ASAP.

**Christmas Decorations** – Sam updated the meeting on progress made with arrangements for money she plans to raise for village Christmas lights this year and possibly arrange an extra Christmas tree to be sited at the bottom of the village.

**Cycle Ride** - Sam Edwards and Michael Fenton were organising a village cycle ride from and back to the Dog Inn on Sunday 2 July. Sam would provide the refreshments available at the Dog with donations requested to the village committee. Flyers had been distributed throughout the village.

**Defibrillator Training** – Sam updated the meeting on arrangements made with colleagues to provide extra defibrillator training for those who had missed out on Andy's village session or needed an update/reminder. A date of Thursday 30 June had been set for the first session and flyers distributed throughout the village providing further information and contact details.

All Committee members plus Jennie and Sam

Clive

Clive/Diane

Sam was thanked for all her considerable time and efforts made.	
ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
Parking on zig zag and double yellow lines outside the village school — Marianne advised of a sited increase in the numbers of cars parked on the lines outside the school at school finishing times and had contacted our PACT representative to monitor the situation for a period. He had agreed to do so.	
DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
A short ad hoc meeting to discuss final arrangements for the Queen's birthday event was arranged for 7.00 pm on Tuesday 31 May in the Dog Inn. A date for the normal June committee meeting, to include a PACT meeting would be set at this meeting.	