## **BELTHORN VILLAGE COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the meeting held at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 17 May 2017 in The Dog Inn, Belthorn

Members Present: Collette & Gary Riding, Marianne Davies, Garry Ryan and Judith

Hamilton

Also Present: Shaun Spavin and Hilary Critchley

	Action
APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
Clive Carroll sent an apology for absence.	
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
There were no declarations of interest.	
MINUTES OF THE 5 APRIL 2017 MEETING FOR APPROVAL	
The minutes of the last meeting were approved as a correct record.	
MATTERS ARISING	
<u>Village Bank Accounts</u> – Judith advised that the CAF bank would not reconsider the £5 monthly charge therefore she would change the committee's bank accounts to their associate bank, HSBC.	Judith
CORRESPONDENCE	
No correspondence had been received.	
TREASURER'S REPORT	
Judith circulated to the committee April/May's figures together with the year end financial report, as at 30 April 2017, which she would enter onto the Charity Commission website.	Judith
TRAFFIC ISSUES – POLICE SPEED GUNS	
Villagers Shaun Spavin and Hilary Critchley attended the meeting to express concern about the increasing numbers of speeding cars through the village during the week, mainly between the hours of 7.00 – 9.00 am. They had undertaken a traffic survey in the village between Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> and Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> May. The results showed that over that 10 hour period 1300 vehicles had passed through the village, ie 131 vehicles per hour at an average speed of over 40 mph. They requested village committee support in addressing the issue.	
The latest situation regarding village volunteers undertaking Lancashire Police training in the use of hand held speed guns to hopefully reduce speeding was discussed.	

Agreed:  1. The village committee to distribute flyers throughout the village requesting views on traffic issues, to a deadline of 1 <sup>st</sup> June. Results of the survey together with village traffic survey results to be forwarded to the Assistant Chief Constable, Traffic Police at Hutton for action.	Village Committee/ Shaun Spavin
2. Mark Evans of Traffic Police and Conservative County Councillor Peter Britcliffe to be invited to the next meeting - Wednesday 7June - which will focus mainly on traffic issues.	Shaun Spavin/ Marianne Davies
EASTER AND MAY DAY SOCIAL EVENTS UPDATE	
<b>Easter Event</b> - Easter Monday's Egg Hunt in the Dog Inn was very well attended and considered a great success with money raised for village funds. Thanks went to Clive Carroll for buying and hiding the eggs and to Jennie for beautifully decorating the Dog Inn for the event.	
The village May Day Parade was also a great day for all who attended. Elspeth was also thanked for making her usual fantastic cards for the May Day King and Queen.	
SUMMER SOCIAL EVENTS UPDATE	
Summer Social events were discussed in principle and would be discussed again at a later meeting when more details would be available about arrangements for the new restaurant and its opening date.	
ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
Marianne reported submitting an entry for Belthorn into the Village of the Year competition. The competition is not for the prettiest village but for the best village community.	
DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
Wednesday 7 June at 7.30 pm in the Dog Inn is the date of the next meeting which will focus mainly on the village's traffic issues.	