## BELTHORN VILLAGE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held at 7.00 pm on Tuesday 7 January 2020 in The Dog Inn, Belthorn

Members Present: Gary and Collette Riding, Tina Walker, Marianne Davies and Judith

Hamilton for part of the meeting

**Also Present: County Councillor Peter Britcliffe** 

|   | Action   |
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| 1. 100 PLUS CLUB - 1 <sup>st</sup> Draw of the year   |          |
| Judith and Tina were pleased to report that membership of the 100 Plus Club had now grown to 163 people who had paid and could grow to 175 if everyone pays their £12 annual subscription ASAP. |          |
| The final draw for the year was witnessed by barmaid Charlie.   |          |
| Winner of the 1st prize of £57.05 - ticket number 125, Terry H  |          |
| Winner of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> prize of 32.60 - ticket number 155, Emma N  |          |
| Winner of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> prize of £24.45 - ticket number 161, Barbara H  |          |
| Winner of the (newly introduced) $4^{th}$ prize of £16.30 – ticket number 139, Liz B  |          |
| 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE  |          |
| There were no apologies for absence.  |          |
| 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST   |          |
| There were no declarations of interest.   |          |
| 4. MINUTES OF THE 3 <sup>rd</sup> DECEMBER 2019 MEETING FOR APPROVAL  |          |
| The minutes of the last meeting were approved as a correct record.  |          |
| 5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MINUTES  |          |
| Village Traffic and Safety Proposals  |          |
| Discussion took place around possible replacement for the Community Road Watch Scheme following Mark Griffiths abandonment of the scheme.   |          |
| Agreed:   |          |
| Collette to follow up on cardboard cut-out traffic policeman similar to the one placed in Pleasington village as a speeding deterrent.  | Collette |
| Gary to check on the possibility of acquiring poles for security cameras to be  |          |

| erected in fields at the top of the village by the lay-bye and bottom of the village by the bend in the road, and for permission from the farmers concerned.  | Gary     |
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| Tina to appeal to Blackburn with Darwen Highways for help in the fight against speeding traffic, fly-tippers and unsocial late night behaviour.   | Tina     |
| Dog Inn Board – New Shares Waiting List   |          |
| Marianne enquired whether the village committee had been placed on the waiting list for when new shares were issued to allow its 3% dividend to be reinvested. Marianne agreed to ask Dog Inn Secretary Kathryn Sharpe.   | Marianne |
| 6. CORRESPONDENCE   |          |
| A complaint had been received by Collette about moss on the pavement at the bottom of Belthorn Road. Tina agreed to report it to Blackburn with Darwen Council's Highways.  | Tina     |
| 7. TREASURER'S REPORT   |          |
| Judith circulated a financial report to January 2020 setting out donations and spend for the Christmas parties together with pay-outs for the January 100 Plus Club.  |          |
| 8. VILLAGE AND OSWALDTWISTLE CHRISTMAS PARTIES FEEDBACK   |          |
| All Christmas parties were considered a huge success again with no suggestions for improvements for this year's parties.  |          |
| 9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS   |          |
| Social Events for 2020 -  |          |
| Following last night's meeting with villagers and the Dog Inn Board which Tina attended, she advised that the following events involving the Village Committee had been discussed:  |          |
| Easter Egg Hunt – as last year the event will be held on Easter Monday, 13 <sup>th</sup> April, with eggs provided by the village committee to be hidden around the pub for children to find.   |          |
| May Day Parade – to be held on Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May. (The Dog Inn Board to arrange 8 <sup>th</sup> May VE Day event).   |          |
| August Bank Holiday, Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> August, the Village Committee to arrange a BBQ event to be held outside the Dog Inn weather permitting, otherwise to be held inside.   |          |
| The next meeting to discuss Dog Inn social events between the Dog Inn team, Village Committee and any villagers with ideas or suggestions, was arranged for Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb at 5.30 pm.  |          |
| Committee Membership – Clive Carroll – Since Clive Carroll had not attended a meeting for six months and previously missed many meetings, it was agreed to terminate his membership of the Village Committee. As Secretary of the Committee Marianne agreed to inform him of the Committee's formal decision. | Marianne |

## 10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next committee meeting will be held on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2020 in the Dog Inn.