

BELTHORN VILLAGE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held at 6.00 pm on Tuesday 6 July 2021

in The Dog Inn, Belthorn

Members Present: Collette Riding, Marianne Davies, Tina Walker, Yvonne Brown and Judith Hamilton

	Action
<p>1. 100 PLUS CLUB - 7th Monthly Draw of the year</p> <p>The July draw, held at the committee meeting was drawn by Judith Hamilton at the meeting and witnessed by attendees.</p> <p>Winner of the 1st prize of £52.15 - ticket number 135, Kelly H</p> <p>Winner of the 2nd prize of £29.80 - ticket number 10, Sheila D</p> <p>Winner of the 3rd prize of £22.35 - ticket number 83, Trevor C</p> <p>Winner of the 4th prize of £14.90 - ticket number 85, Andrew N</p>	
<p>2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p>Gary Riding and Barbara Heffernan submitted apologies.</p>	
<p>3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>As the School Board of Governors Chair and Chair of the Dog Inn Board, Yvonne submitted her declaration of interest but there was nothing on the village committee agenda that would be impacted by her attendance at the meeting.</p>	
<p>4. MINUTES OF THE 1ST JUNE 2021 MEETING FOR APPROVAL</p> <p>The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a correct record.</p>	
<p>5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MINUTES</p> <p><u>Notice Board, top of the village</u> – Marianne confirmed that the notice board had now been finished and suggested that a sign be added stating it was the property of the village committee. An artistic person was now needed to write our name above the board and she advised that Rene Donaldson had agreed to carry out the task.</p> <p><u>Recreation Ground Benches</u> – Marianne reported having e-mailed Hyndburn's officer responsible for the maintenance of the recreation ground and was still awaiting a reply. She had sent him a reminder e-mail.</p>	

<p>6. CORRESPONDENCE</p> <p>Several members of the committee, plus many villagers and locals, had received correspondence from Blackburn with Darwen Council after objecting to their proposals in their draft Local Plan to allow developers to build industrial units from Junction 5 of the M65. The next stages of the Council's consultation process on the consultation draft were set out in the correspondence.</p>	
<p>7. TREASURER'S REPORT</p> <p>Judith reported that there had been no changes to the committee's finances since last month.</p>	
<p>8. AGM AND COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP</p> <p>The committee AGM was due to be held during the summer months of 2020 but had been delayed owing to the pandemic. Following government plans to return to normal life as much as possible after lockdown after 19th July, a provisional date for the village committee's AGM be set at Tuesday 17th August . This would allow time for things to hopefully return to normal and for the usual two weeks' formal notice of the AGM be given to villagers.</p>	
<p>9. SOCIAL EVENTS (if any to be arranged)</p> <p>Yvonne advised that social events would be discussed at the next meeting of the Dog Inn Board, after which our two groups, possibly including the village school, would work together to arrange the events. It was suggested that the next Halloween and Easter 2022 events be the same as last time, as they were both so successful, with a bonfire possibly held on either Monday 1st or 8th November 2021.</p>	
<p>10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p><u>Jennie Cook</u> - Marianne reminded the group of the fantastic work carried out by Jennie on monitoring and administrating the village Facebook pages, volunteering in the Dog Inn coffee shop and decorating the pub for the various events held. All were in agreement and it was suggested and agreed that we present Jennie with a gift voucher for the Dog Inn restaurant with grateful thanks from the village committee.</p> <p><u>Village Flag Pole</u> – the committee had been informed that the flag pole, by the memorial garden at the bottom of the village had been removed. Marianne agreed to contact Hyndburn Council to query their decision.</p> <p><u>Electric Car Chargers</u> – Yvonne reported plans to erect electric charging stations on the Dog Inn car park, where car owners could download an app to pay for the electricity used by customers and villagers when charging their cars. A small payment would be made by the company to the Dog Inn Board</p>	
<p>11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>The next meeting, including the monthly 100 Plus Club draw, will be held on Tuesday 3rd August 2021 at 6.00 pm in the Dog Inn.</p>	