

Minutes of the Slip End & District Community Projects Group meeting held at The Rising Sun on Tuesday 13th July 2010

Present: Paul Cooper – Chairman (Core), Sarah Minnighan (Core), Andy Prothero (Core), Peter Smith, Derek Worsley, Veronica Williams, Carolyn Martin (BADRA), David Kingston, Carol Brennan – Treasurer (Core), Ken Crossett (Core),

Apologies: Gordon Burton, Lisa Wakefield of the Energy Savings Trust, Martin & Morven Allen, Steve Fuell

Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the June meeting were agreed.

Amendment to The Constitution - Paul added this item to the agenda last minute as this meeting we actually had a quorum.

Paul suggested that, as numbers had dwindled and decisions couldn't be made with our current Quorum it should be reduced to 5 from 10, and that of the 5, 2 of those people must be from the Parish Council and 2 of those people must be from the Core Committee. This was agreed by all. Paul will re draft the Constitution for the next meeting. (PC)

Youth Club

Attendance:

Wed 02 June – Closed – not enough kids

Wed 09 June – 10 children

Wed 16 June– 10 children

Wed 23 June – 6 children

Wed 29 June – 9 children – Shirley organised a self defence teacher to come along – she charged £2 per child so the takings were used to pay the lady.

Shirley and Molly are aware that the club will close from Wed 21st July and reopen on Wed 8th Sept. On Wed 21st July Shirley has organised Ice Skating at Jarman Park in Hemel Hempstead.

Paul gave Sarah the wage slips, cheques and P60's for the employees, Sarah will pass them on. (SM)

Carol confirmed Anil has now been paid.

Shirley is going to run a competition to design a new Youth Club logo with the kids so when we re-launch in September there is a new logo. David would like details of this so he can include it in the Parish News.

Paul & Sarah will organise a meeting with Shirley in August to discuss a timetable from September to December so the club has something on each week to give it more structure. Sarah mentioned a young lady whose details had been passed to her as being interested in gaining youth work experience – did we want to get her on board? General consensus was yes but not until September, Sarah will contact her. (SM)

CRB checks have changed – but whilst they have issued a new form they haven't got the facility to process it at present. Sarah will keep an eye on developments. (SM)

Finance

Sarah confirmed she had spoken to Alliance & Leicester and the Co-op about a deposit account and both banks redirected her to their Business Banking Department. Ken suggested that we have the deposit account with a bank other than the Co-op in case a

situation arose with the bank closing or other similar situation and our money not being safe. We agreed to approach the Alliance & Leicester, Carol will contact them. (CB)

Carol confirmed we have £14,030.58 in the bank account. This will hopefully be increased with takings from Village Day.

Grants

Sarah confirmed she had received the E-Bulletin from Action Central Beds and again CPG do not qualify for any of the 23 available grants listed.

Parish Plan

Ken confirmed that the Parish Plan had been delivered and was now in the process of being collected. There seemed to be about a 60% reply rate. Sarah voiced her upset at the CPG not being mentioned in the plan or detailed on the back page, as pointed out to her by Paul. Ken said that the plan was rushed towards the end to get it out in conjunction with the Parish News and Sarah said she was concerned that a 20 page document took a small team 18 months to work on and had to be 'rushed' at the end.

The CPG await the outcome of the plan for instructions on projects required within the parish.

Paul asked that any details of volunteers given in the plan be passed to CPG for them to contact those people. Ken said that would happen.

Village Day

There was a provisional Village Day meeting prior to this meeting. Sarah confirmed that almost everything is organised now, we just want the nice weather.

Central Beds Council Safety Advisory Group have confirmed they are happy with all the information Sarah provided them with in relation to Village Day and wished us luck.

Website

Sarah confirmed that work will resume once Village Day is over.

Children's Christmas Party

This item was carried forward from the June meeting – Carol suggested it would be nice to run a party for the children but it was felt that there are already several parties run in the parish by different organisations.

Veronica said the children get quite a lot of things organised for them already. An Easter party was suggested, along with ideas for the 30 to 50 year olds in the parish. Everyone will think on this and some with suggestions at the next meeting.

Any Other Business

Aims for the Next Meeting

Revised Constitution

Ideas for the various age groups in the Parish at Christmas

Contracts of Employment

There being no other business the Chairman confirmed that there **won't be a meeting in August**, therefore the **next meeting will be on Tuesday 14th September 2010 at The Frog & Rhubarb** and the meeting closed at 8.40pm.