

Registered Charity No. 51378

# Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 30th. June 2015

### Welcome by the chair

Marlaine welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### Present

Gerald Arstall; Mike Crosby; Chris Horridge; Paul Liptrot; Eileen Longmore; Jim Maloney; Veronica Maloney; Carole Miles; Sheila Milnes; Andrew Moakes; Carol Moakes; Alan Mohring; Pam Powell; John Whiteley; Marlaine Whitham; Jane Lawrence Wood

### Apologies

Margaret Carter; Paul Collins; Damian Edwardson; Lorna Ellis; Barry King; Izzy Morris; John O'Neill; Ira Whiteley

## Minutes of the meeting held on 26th. May

Proposed by Eileen Longmore, seconded by Chris Horridge, the minutes were signed as a true record.

### Matters Arising

Chris said that poachers had been seen near Otter's Croft Wood. Kevin Topping had contacted the police, with no response to date. Anyone seeing anything suspicious ring the police on 101 to log.

### Finances- including bids for small grants

Jim presented a financial report. There had been a request from the Scout Group at Forest Fold to help fund raised beds, planting and an outdoor cooking area. The officers had discussed and all at the meeting also agreed to grant £250 towards their very worthwhile project which should have longevity.

## Dementia Friendly Communities; Network; Training; Befriending

Public Health staff have been trained in Basic Awareness Training. Liz Fisher and Kerry Thompson will provide two 45min. sessions in July. Sign up for the afternoon session on Thursday 23rd. 1.30pm - 2.30pm. or the evening session on 28th. 7.30pm.- 8.30pm. Jim thanked Marlaine for her successful presentation, Alan and Jane for her ongoing work.

## District Councillors' up-date

Thanks to Chris Horridge for help with Armed Forces Day. A good team effort and community spirit. The bench in memory of Bill Gaskell, will be blessed on Saturday 4th. July at 11am.

Please contact Mike with jobs for the Beat It Team who will be in the district between 13th. and 17th. July.

## Quiz Night Friday July 3rd.

Tickets available. BYOB plus items for buffet and raffle.

## Community Fete and Gardening Club Show Saturday 1st. August

Successful funding bids from Wigan and Leigh Housing's "Better Neighbourhood" fund and Bristol Street Motors. Next meeting Tuesday 21st. July. Volunteers sign up for jobs at the start of the meeting; 7pm. then leave or stay as they wish.

Sponsorship for Gardening Club Show by CA as is traditional. A sum of £150 was proposed by Paul Liptrot, seconded by Pam Powell and agreed by all. Schedules are available and also on the website. A new category for a club/society entry, with a shield awarded in memory of Dorothy Nightingale. The Gardening Club hope to plant a tree in her memory; no type or site decided to date.

### Annual Achievement Awards

Forms are available online and paper copies in the library. The deadline is Friday 16th. October.

### Additional Updates from those present

Eileen said judging for bloom on Wednesday 8th. July will start at 9.30am in Shevington, with Appley Bridge Neighbourhood entry being judged from 11.35am.

Veronica and Jim thoroughly enjoyed the recent evening with the Youth Jazz orchestra. Jim showed a flier for the 5th. Wigan Diggers event on 12th. September in The Wiend and town centre.

Eileen said filming would take place at The Meadows from 9am. on Tuesday 7th. July re Appley Bridge CA's successful grant from the Lancashire Environment Fund; part of Lancashire County Council.

Chris reported that hedges in the Memorial Park had been cut today and that holes had been dug in preparation for installation of the zip wire.

Alan explained Wigan GP Access Alliance. Three Wigan GP Federations Working Together. There will be three sites open from Wednesday 8th. July at Golborne, Tyldesley and Shevington Surgery. If you cannot get an appointment at the surgery in the normal way, there is a number to ring; 01942 482848 for extended access to see a doctor who will not be from the surgery in most cases. This service will be available from 6.30pm - 8pm. Monday to Friday and 10am. - 4pm. on Saturdays and Sundays.

As Shevington Surgery already supports extended hours, there may be some overlap.

Another six surgeries should be opening for extended access in August and from September the service will be increased to 2 GP's and a nurse in each site.

John said sound deadening would be installed at the Youth Club, match funded with a grant from Deal for Communities. The senior club is slowly building numbers.

Carol said Knit and Natter at the library on Friday afternoons will close for the summer on 10th. July and reopen at a date to be advertised in late August. The group have been knitting for various charities. Carole said the week beginning 6th. July is Macular Awareness Week. Boston House will have Tea for MD for patients on Monday between 10am. and 4pm. There will be a sight loss exhibition at the Life Centre all day on Wednesday 8th. Carole will be hosting a strawberry scone Tea for MD at the Methodist Church on Thursday 9th. from 12noon - 3pm.

Saturday 10th. is Wigan Rotary volunteer day in the town centre between 10am and 4pm.

Jim reminded us that Maurice Hilton, a trustee of the CA had passed away recently. He will be remembered with fondness.

Jane thanked Marlaine for her successful presentation re dementia funding and her ongoing work with the Dementia Friendly Network.

## AOB

A reminder that the last fete meeting will be on Tuesday 21st July at 7pm. Volunteers can leave after signing up to a variety of tasks, and do not have to stay for the rest of the meeting, but welcome to do so.

The next meeting of Shevington DF Network will be on Monday 10th. August at 10.30am in the library.

Date and time of next meeting No meeting in July: Tuesday 25th. August 2015 at 7pm.

Chair; Marlaine Whitham 01257 253055 <u>marlaine@hotmail.co.uk</u> Secretary; Sheila Milnes 01257 253735 <u>sheila.milnes@gmail.com</u> Treasurer; Jim Maloney 01257 253239 <u>jwvjmaloney@hotmail.com</u>

Shevington Surgery 01942 483777 Existing opening hours; Monday Tuesday and Thursday 8am. - 8pm. Wednesday 8am. - 4.30pm. Friday 8am. - 6.30pm. Saturday 8am. - 12 noon.

GP Alliance extended hours 01942 482848 Monday - Friday 6.30pm.-8pm. Saturday and Sunday- 10am. -4pm.

Out of Hours 01942 829911

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