



Shevington and District Community Association



Registered Charity No 513784

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 28th August 2018

Welcome and introductions

Elaine welcomed everyone to the meeting, followed by introductions around the room.

Present

Gerald Arstall; Janet Brown; Margaret Carter; Elaine Ellams; Lorna Ellis; Helen Hurst; Paul Liptrot; Shirley Lusher; Carole Miles; Sheila Milnes; Andrew Moakes; Izzy Morris; Pam Powell; Gillian Rigby; Ira Whiteley; Jane Lawrence Wood

Apologies

Howard Cain; Paul Collins; Mike Crosby; Vicky Galligan; Barry King; Eileen Longmore; Jim Maloney; Veronica Maloney; Alan Mohring; Irene Tennant; John Whiteley; Marlaine Whitham

Minutes of the June meeting

Proposed by Gerald Arstall, seconded by Ira Whiteley, the minutes were signed as a true record.

Finances including any bids for small grants

With huge thanks to Elaine Hooley for her continued support in donating her designer samples for sale at the fete, cheques have been given to the the agreed recipients; £300 each to The Dog's Trust, Mersyside and the Methodist Church roof fund and £30 to fete funds.

District Councillors' report

The library will be closed from 17th September-15th October for roof improvements.

Some IT sessions will have to be relocated; more information once decided. Please report any ongoing issues with busses to Mark.Butler@rotala.co.uk 01942 888893 re 635, 638, 640 & 641.

Some discussion re safety at Gathurst canal bridge and need for better signage further back from the bridge on both sides. Vegetation growing over paths up past the High School had been reported but has recently been cut back.

Parish Council update

Ira said the annual Bank Holiday walk the previous day had been very pleasant and a chance to assess the state of the footpaths and signposts. Thanks to Alan Mohring for planning the route. Donations to 'Kids and Sibs'.

There had been a good response at the fete for the plans for the park. A group will be formed to work, together with the PC, to fundraise. Improving drainage would be a priority.

Fete 2018

In large part due to the weather, the event at the end of June had been a huge success. A very big thank you to Elaine Hooley for her continued support in fundraising with her designer samples. £630 was raised with donations of £300 each to The Dogs Trust Merseyside and Shevington Methodist Church roof fund, plus £30 to fete funds. The committee had met on 24th July. The next meeting will be in November.

Gardening Club and Show on Saturday 4th August

With lots of entrants, the show was a great success. Jim Butress will open the show next year and probably bring books to sign. Join the Club for £10 and get a 10% discount at Bewleys. Meetings are held in the Parish Rooms on the second Monday of the month starting at 8pm. See the website via the PC website for full details.

There had been a good turnout at the Bowling Day on 22nd July. There are plans to get younger people involved in bowling. There are four people on the waiting list for an allotment.

The plans for a building at the Vicarage Lane site have been passed.

Focus Group re care home/housing on Miles Lane

Nothing to report.

Dementia Friendly activities

DF Community network will meet on Monday September 24th at 10.30 am at the Methodist Church building. The Carers group met on 27th August. The Memories Group meet on the 1st and 3rd Friday in the month from 2 -4pm at the Methodist Church. The event will be publicised in the next PC newsletter.

Additional updates from those present

Shirley said WI would be holding an open night on 26th September. Digital learning sessions will start at the library (and a different venue while closed) in September.

Andrew will repair the paint on the bench dedicated to Dorothy Nightingale.

Janet said someone from Orrell had complemented the In Bloom volunteers for impressive displays. Everyone present agreed the village looked better than ever.... (but always wonderful)

Gerry said Over 60's will meet next Tuesday from 2 -3pm at the Methodist Church.

Lorna said CAMEO meet on the third Thursday in the month at the Parish Centre with the next meeting on 20th September.

Jane said the PPG annual conference had taken place on 10th July. Awards had been given for the dementia and diabetes support groups. 'Flu' clinics will begin on 22nd September. Members of the PPG had been on a 2 hour visit to the Infirmary to see improvements re booking in and triage.

Carole said the coffee morning at the Methodist Church on 28th September from 10 -12 would be in aid of Macmillan. Cakes and items for a raffle are welcomed.

As a regular litter picker, Izzy said litter wasn't too bad, but bags & cylinders had been found on the rec'.

Ira, on behalf of John, said John was looking at ways to improve the building. Wigan Council will be approached to discuss the feasibility of an extension. The YC is

flourishing, with around thirty 7 - 11 year olds and 3 paid workers. Parents will be informed that some of the children are buying high caffeine drinks before the meeting which can have an effect on behaviour.

There will be a meeting on 11th September re the proposals for improvement of the park.

Pam said the Art Group meet every Saturday with around 24 people attending. There will be another exhibition of work soon.

Margaret said judging for SIB had gone well. The results will be known on 2nd November. The project at St Bernadettes, partially funded by CA is underway.

Ira said there will be poppies on lamp posts and a life sized Tommy (site to be decided)

To mark the end of WW1. Eleven new names will be placed on the War Memorial.

Izzy commented on how impressive the knitted poppies, made at 'Knit & Natter' looked by the Memorial Gardens on judging day.

AOB

There was concern and discussion about a person with four loose dogs chasing another dog resulting in two of the four dogs being knocked down and killed/destroyed.

There had been a large group of young people in the vicinity of the library after midnight over the weekend. Due to the disturbance the police were called.

Please note that this was an unusually long meeting. We usually aim to close by 8.30 at the latest.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

Date and time of next meeting

Tuesday September 25th at 7pm

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