



Shevington and District Community Association



Registered Charity No. 51378

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 31st. March 2015

Welcome by the chair

Marlaine welcomed everyone to the meeting. Due to illness, the speaker was unable to attend.

Present

Paul Collins; Mike Crosby; Lorna Ellis; Chris Horridge; Paul Liptrot; Eileen Longmore; Carole Miles; Sheila Milnes; Andrew Moakes; Alan Mohring; Pam Powell; John Whiteley; Marlaine Whitham; Jane Lawrence Wood

Apologies

Nadine Burns; Margaret Carter; Damian Edwardson; Barry King; Jim Maloney; Veronica Maloney; Carol Moakes; Izzy Morris; Dorothy Nightingale

Minutes of the AGM and meeting held on 31st. February

Proposed by Mike Crosby and seconded by Carole Miles, the minutes; with the addition of John Whiteley to those present, were approved as a true record.

Matters Arising

The treasurer had received two applications for grants which the officers were happy with. One from Shevington in Bloom for £250, the other, from Standish Lower Ground in Bloom for £200. Following discussion and queries, it was agreed, with one objection, to grant the amounts requested.

Reports from Councillors

Paul said councillors would give a generic report to all community groups they attend. He also spoke about development under way to further support people with dementia and their carers.

Paul is chairing the Confident Council Scrutiny Committee which deals with issues re benefits and universal credit.

Mike thanked everyone who had helped with The Big Spring Clean Up across the ward. 20 people had been involved, with tea and cake provided by library volunteers. Please let Mike know inaccessible areas so that other agencies can clear.

With thanks to Damian, the defib. has been installed in the box outside the Methodist Church and registered with North West Ambulance Service. The first training course had taken place on Saturday 28th. and was informative and enjoyable. More courses will be run. Contact any of the councillors if you would like to take part.

The "Beat It Team" will be in the district between 13th. and 17th. April. Contact Mike if you have identified areas that need tidying, strimming, cutting back or litter picking around the ward.

Updates from those present

John spoke about recruiting more people to join the Credit Union rota. Please contact him if you are interested in training. The Credit Union is available in the library on Saturdays from 10.30 - 11.30am.

Pam spoke about the NSPCC and her daughter Sarah who is training to run in the London Marathon in memory of her dad, Ed. Raffle tickets were available and sponsorship is welcomed.

Jane reminded people about the three Dementia friendly events to be held at the Britannia Hotel on 15th. and 29th. of April with Decision Day speed vote on 10th. June. Call Lorraine or Barbara; 01942 404252; 828801e mail; Lorraine. Wright @wigan.gov.uk
barbara.ashton@wigan.gov.uk

Tony and group will play at a fundraiser for the fete on October 9th. at Standish Unity Club.

St. Anne's Parish Centre has been booked for the quiz on July 3rd. and for Lancashire Night on 27th. November.

The bloom group are planning a planting/tidy up session at Gathurst Station on April 25th. from 10am.

Eileen said the Gardening Club has some places on the coach to the Harrogate Spring Show on Saturday 25th. April. £26 including admission, or £10.50 just to Harrogate. The coach will leave from The Plough at 9am.

Chris informed everyone that carving the two tree stumps should begin tomorrow. He spoke about Mr Topping who had come to the PC to talk about wildlife in Otters Croft Wood and show photographs. It was

suggested he form a "Friends of Otters Croft Wood" group and have a stall at the fete.

Jane said Beryl and Joan, who run the Dementia Support Group would like to speak at our next meeting.

Lorna said St. Bernadette's fundraising group have organised a Gospel Choir in St. Anne's Church on 18th. April. Tickets are £5, including refreshments in the Parish Centre, in aid of MacMillan Nurses and Local Cancer Support.

Nadine had sent an update re improvements at Gathurst Station. Work for the CCTV and screens has started. With some parking spaces taken by works vans, it will be even harder to find a parking place while work is ongoing.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm

Date and time of next meeting

Tuesday 28th. April at 7pm.

Please contact the secretary before the meeting if any corrections are necessary.

Anyone living or working in Shevington and District is welcome to come to our meetings which are held on the last Tuesday in the month except July and December.

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Library opening times

Monday 10am - 2pm

Tuesday and Wednesday 1pm - 5pm Thursday closed

Friday 10am. - 5pm Saturday 10am. - 12 noon...thanks to volunteers.

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