



# Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 25th January 2022

Welcome and introductions

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

Present

Mike Crosby; Elaine Ellams; Lorna Ellis; Helen Hurst; Kathy Lamb; Paul Liptrot; Jim Maloney; Carole Miles; Sheila Milnes; Andrew Moakes; Izzy Morris; Pam Powell; Gill Rigbye; John Whiteley; Marlaine Whitham

Apologies

Janet Brown; Gail Charnock; Vicky Galligan; Ira Whiteley

# Minutes of the November meeting

Missing from the minutes was Gills query as to how to give the housebound information about all local activities.Elaine will contact Lynn Prescott re Age Friendly Community. Lynn and colleagues will attend future meeting to inform on existing services to further our aim for an inclusive community. With this to be included in the January minutes, they were signed as a true

record.

Proposer, Marlaine Whitham, Seconded by Paul Liptrot

## Tablet Scheme

Ten tablets on loan with internet connectivity until the end of April. Support with tech mates continues on Friday mornings at the Methodist building plus a drop in at Fifteens once a month in Standish.

## Finances

Jim gave a report.Grants for Project Linus and the Fete Committee had been approved. A grant from Awards for All from the Lottery for 2k had been applied for. Gill thanked CA for the grant to the project which made quilts for children in hospital.

## Councillors' report

Janet had sent a report which included an update on the lockdown of the Britannia Hotel due to covid, Primary Care Network(PNC) require suitable venues to block book checks, eg blood pressure checks pulse testing etc. Round 4 of the Community Recovery Fund will reopen in February. Applications of up to 2k can be made from the Community Safety Fund.

Talk and Tidy on Tuesday 29th March; a project aiming to engage with council tenants in making environmental improvements.

Community Networking event on 7th March.

With a spike in burglaries around the district, there is a designated 'burglary car' and victims will be visited on the same, or the following day. Wigan Police

have a new Chief Superintendent, Emily Higham. There is an online consultation relating to the raising of the Police Precept.

Mike spoke about the boundary changes re Standish and the addition of and Moor to Shevington with Lower Ground. Gridlock at Gathurst is an ongoing problem if the M6 is closed.

#### Parish Council updates

PC will meet virtually tomorrow. SIB have suggested a special Silver Birch tree to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee. There will be a 3% increase to the precept.

#### FSMP

All water will now be directed down the main road to Gathurst

#### Additional updates

Pam had judged the shop window christmas displays and suggests that all involved are sent a Thank You card for taking part in the future. The Art Group have lost 7 members and gained 3 new people.

They will hold an exhibition in April or May.

Discussion again about the danger to pupils re pavement parking below the High School.

Carole spoke about the letter being sent to 100 residents who live near to the proposed Miles Lane development.

Defib. maintenance is now national, not local. Refer to the website. Both wheelchairs are in use. As advertised in the PC magazine, they will be stored in the Methodist Church building.

Elaine updated on DF awareness & Carers' which are on hold at the moment. Gill asked for litter picking to be advertised.

Andrew said the Gardening Club meeting on February 14th have a talk on Victorian Chemistry.

Helen said Fete 2022 will be held on 18th June. Helen & Vicky are applying for funding. All indoor tables are booked. Helen also mentioned an accessible shower at the Vicarage Lane building, available for anyone in need.

AOB

The Dates for the Platinum Jubilee are 3rd - 6th June. With some discussion on how to mark the occasion, this will continue at the February meeting.

> Date and time of next meeting Tuesday 22nd February 2022

The meeting closed at 8.25pm.