

BVS Minutes
Meeting held at Blackheath Cricket Club
Held on Tuesday 15th April 2014 8pm

Present; Christina Hartshorn (Acting Chairman), Hamish Whiteman (Acting Secretary), Paul Brodie, Steve Brockwell, Nick Harrison, Hon Peter Herbert

1. *Apologies; Terry Powles, Penny Kirkwood, David Grisley and Alan Barlow*
2. *Minutes of Meeting held on 28th February 2014*

The minutes were passed unanimously without comment.

Matters Arising;

- CH confirmed that she had contacted the local parish council. It was requested that the chairman of the local parish council be invited to the Blackheath Village Society AGM. This was unanimously agreed.
- CH has sent a note around the village regarding the 2013 Fair proceeds, and the donations.
- PB gave an update regarding the seating to be installed in the village well as agreed. Installation will take place at some point during May after the Fair.
- NH confirmed that the Cricket Club had received the donation from the 2013 Fair with thanks and that 90% of the work to level the car park had been undertaken, that the new run-ups for the nets had been completed and that the new mats for the nets would be installed shortly. He also confirmed that the village party would be able to take place on the 10th May at the Cricket Club.
- NH also confirmed that the Cricket Club was in the process of sending emails to both home and opposition teams to stress that all visitors to the Cricket Club should drive at 20 mph through the village at all times. NH also raised the issue of drainage and resurfacing the track from Blackheath Lane up to the Cricket Club and it was agreed that no action from the BVS was required at this point.
- SB confirmed that he had made some progress in regard to making better use of the village website and had approached a villager in this regard who he hoped would take responsibility for this. He reported that all parties were willing in this regard but that currently no progress had been made.

3. *May Fair*

SB confirmed that the organisation for the May Fair, with two weeks to go, was as far advanced as it could possibly be at that point. The two major points where assistance was required: 1) to find more people to man stalls 2) to construct signs for the fair and distribute them throughout the neighbourhood. AB/AS to put them out?

A general ring around was required to all stall holders to confirm that they were still available to man their stalls and that they understood what is required of them on the day. CH volunteered to assist SB with this task.

SB confirmed that the Village Silver Jubilee sign was in the process of having a new post put on it and then that it would be re-sited at a position to be agreed around the crossroads. HW confirmed that he would assist in organising for this to happen. Various minor Fair related matters were discussed to be actioned.

4. *Post Fair Party*

SB also reported that he was organising a party for Saturday 10th May to be held at the Cricket Club as a thank you to all villagers who were involved in running the fair and as a celebration of the fact that the 2014 Fair is the 40th Anniversary of the original May Fair. He proposed to make a small presentation to all fair organisers past and present, the cost of which was to be relatively minor and this was passed unanimously.

SB proposed that the food would be a pork casserole with baked potatoes or rice and a pudding of scones with strawberries and cream.

5. *Annual General Meeting*

It was agreed, for various reasons to postpone the date of the AGM for 2014 from the 17th June to 30th September. CH confirmed that she would send a note around the village to confirm this.

6. *AOB*

Committee membership – CH asked all those present if they were prepared to stand again in their current roles. All those present confirmed that they were, including HW who confirmed that he was prepared to continue as Secretary in a substantive capacity. CH also confirmed that she was prepared to continue as Chairman again in a substantive capacity. CH also confirmed that AB intended to step down as Treasurer at the AGM and as such a new Treasurer needed to be identified.

A discussion regarding the composition of the next committee ensued and CH agreed to speak to a number of villagers on this matter.

7. *Date of next Meeting*

The next meeting to be held on June 17th, 8pm, at the Cricket Club.

Minutes:

Hamish Whiteman (Acting Secretary)