

BVS Minutes 17 June 2014

Present: Christina Hartshorn (Acting Chair), Hamish Whiteman (Acting Secretary) (from 9pm), Paul Brodie, Steve Brockwell, Terry Powles, Penny Kirkwood, David Grisley (from 9pm), Hon. Peter Herbert

1. Apologies; Nick Harrison and Alan Barlow

2. Minutes of Meeting held on 15th April 2014

The minutes were passed unanimously without comment.

3. Matters Arising;

- The May Fair was successfully held on May 5th. Steve Brockwell was thanked by the committee for all his hard work to make it such a success.
- The village 'Silver Jubilee' sign was re-erected by James Collins and Hamish Whiteman. **CH to write to James to thank him for this.**
- The post-fair party was successfully held at the Cricket Pavilion, attended by about 80 villagers. A small presentation was made to those villagers who had been responsible for the Fair since its inception 40 years ago.
- CH has circulated a note to the village advising of the change of date to the AGM (now September 30th).
- CH has spoken to a number of villagers regarding their willingness to serve on the committee. There has not been any success as yet in finding a candidate willing to serve as Treasurer. Parish Councillor Peter Maggs has confirmed his willingness to be co-opted onto the BVS committee, with immediate effect. **CH to write to the Chair of the Parish Council.**

4. May Fair 2014 Review

SB gave a review of this year's fair, summarising the strengths and weaknesses. Overall the sum taken was slightly down from 2013; the expenses/costs slightly more. He proposed immediate disbursements to local organisations that had taken part in the running of the Fair that totalled approximately £3,500. This was agreed.

Costs to be considered before any further disbursements included equipment maintenance and covers, and any further storage of equipment. SB recorded his gratitude to Barnett Hill Conference Centre for their enthusiastic support in addition to their sponsorship, and to the Cricket Club in particular for their assistance.

As the treasurer was currently working out of the country, he and the Chair have agreed to meet shortly to review the current BVS financial position regarding any further Fair disbursement.

5. Blackheath Management Plan

SB reported the correspondence between himself and the Waverley Senior Ranger on the revised timeline for the Blackheath Management Plan. There will now be a public display of

the draft plan in about August/September at a venue (to be arranged) in the village. Waverley staff and the consultant will be on hand to answer questions and the draft plan will be available via a web site link. This was duly noted.

6. Annual General Meeting, September 30th.

CH reported that she had approached Jayne Barlow to give a talk at the AGM on the background to her WW2 commemorative Plaque research. Jayne had been pleased to accept.

HW to book the Village Hall

7. The Villagers Pub ACV (update)

CH reported that she had been in correspondence with the Executive Director of Waverley Borough Council. His response had been focussed on the process of how a community interest group would have a better opportunity to bid to buy the pub if the owners decide to sell it. The Parish Councillor Peter Maggs is exploring the matter with local councillors and will contact CH/PB when he has heard further. A short discussion ensued and the committee agreed to debate the matter more fully when PM has reported back.

8. Village Defibrillator.

CH reported that a villager had requested that the committee consider the purchase of a defibrillator(s), to be located centrally in the village. CH had researched the matter, supported by the Shamley Green defibrillator 'champion' Sue Cooper. There was the possibility of a grant worth 50% towards its purchase from the British Heart Foundation; the cost to the village thus being £400 plus installation. The DCC (St. Martin's) was supportive, as was the BVH – these two buildings being potential sites for the device. After discussion, the committee agreed that CH should apply to the BHF for funding.

9. Any Other Business

There was no further business to discuss.

Date and Time of next meeting

The next meeting will be the AGM. CH requested that a meeting of the committee officers be held prior to the AGM. The date of Thursday August 28th was provisionally arranged, 8pm, venue Heatherlea.