

Fernham Village Trust Meeting 23 June 2016

Those Present

David Burke (DB) (Chair), Bill Egginton (BE) (Sec), Neil Sutherland (NS), Charles Wickham (CW), Mike Winter (MW), Rev Norma Fergusson (NF)

1. Apologies

Lin Sutherland, Stephen Flint, Brian Heathcote, Herbie Kay

2. Minutes 21 March 16 - Actions Arising

- New village website – Martin Rees taken over as web-master (digital content); BH for any technical fixes.
- Annabelle's Nursery - covered under agenda item
- Memorial Stones - covered under agenda item
- Fire notices. Complete.
- Contacts for hall events. Complete.

3. Bookings

- Hall bookings – no bookings update received. NS confirmed nothing exceptional to report.
- NS reported on Annabelle's Nursery – Open day attended by 10 families and 10 – 15 children expected - 39 weeks per year at 5 sessions per week wef 1 September 2016.
- Meeting held 17 June (Notes Attached)
- It was AGREED that clearing of gravestones and creation of memorial garden would be done on a 50:50 cost sharing basis between St John's Church and FVT. Proposed NS. Seconded MW.
- Local stonemason to be invited to advise. Action: CW.
- Notices informing relocation of 17 gravestones to be published. Church requirements not clear. Action: NF/CW to clarify.

4. Review of Activities

- QE90 Birthday celebration was a big success. Formal 'Thank You' expressed to the team, with special thanks to John Nelson & Helen Jeffrey, Denise Burke, Elli Wickham, Peter & Kay Nunn and Freda Dawes.
- Shortfall of £24.55 agreed to be funded by FVT. Proposed NS. Seconded CW.

5. Bank Statement

- As at 23 June 2016 - £9410.85 (ex. £24.55 above).
- NS reported Corporation Tax return issued. Formal thanks expressed to NS for taking care.
- Cost of fireworks expected to be c.£1200. Request for funding approved. Proposed CW. Seconded MW.
- Rubber Mats to ease access on soft ground discussed. Purchase of 6 no. agreed at a cost of c.£75. Proposed NS. Seconded MW.
- Playground wood and other materials purchased and work in progress. Formal thanks to Herbie Kay. Pressure washing of equipment in progress and to be completed w/c 21 July. NS requested assistance. Any offers to contact NS direct.

6. Maintenance

- **Tiles** – CW advised of the need to treat tiles in order to seal and prevent stains / damage. NS suggested 'HG Protective Coating'. Agreed to purchase and treat before start of nursery operations. Action NS / CW.
- **Memorial Stones** - CW will continue to research the relatives of the stones and ashes and approvals sought; project timeframe to remain as completed by 1 September.
- **Annabelle's Nursery** - Shed, notice boards, nursery cupboards all in hand.

7. Forthcoming Village Events

- **Village Fete**

- Marquee and Tea & Cakes frame to be erected Friday pm. Collection of Welsh Dresser also to be arranged for Friday pm. Call to Arms to be issued: 6pm Friday & 0930 Saturday. Action: DB.
- Beer barrel to be collected. Action: BE
- Pump confirmed. Action: BH

- **Fireworks**

- Separate meeting held to discuss setting off and to address mis-fire issues. See attached.
- Matting to be purchased. See above.
- Details to be discussed at next FVT meeting.

8. AOB

- NS shared content of letter sent by Peter Nunn to Sovereign Housing re grass cutting by Peter Nunn. Good outcome. Contractor to be changed and cutting to be re-instated.
- NS also shared invitation for 'Queen's Award for Voluntary Services'. Contact: BrianCrossland@ntlworld.com. See attached flyer.

9. Next FVT meeting

- Monday 19 September. 8pm in the Village Hall. Rotating Chair is MW, Secretary DB.

Meeting closed at 9.20 pm

Bill Egginton
On behalf of FVTV
