

NAYLAND-with-WISSINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the General Meeting held on 14 November 2005

Apologies: Ken Willingale, David George, Bryan Smith, Margaret Moore, Shirley Scarlett, Sylvia Bond, Eva Rolfe.

There were 13 Members present under the Chairmanship of Andrew Gowen.

1. **Minutes of Meeting held on 19 September 2005.** These were approved by members and signed by the Chairman. There were no matters arising not covered by the agenda.

2. **Christmas Bazaar arrangements.** The following was agreed:

- Tricia Hall agreed to ask Karen Balham if she would provide a horse and trap ride for the children from 2pm to 3pm.
- The Choir agreed to sing
- The Community Council will run a raffle organised by Ken Willingale
- Father Christmas would operate from his grotto (provided by the Bakers) but because of the difficulty of finding presents for under a £1 the price per child would go up to £2. Mark agreed to obtain the costume from the School.
- Entry would be £2 per adult with children going in free
- Eva Rolfe said that the over 60's would provide the tea.
- Posters were distributed and Mark said he would put a sign out on the A134.
- Working party to meet at 9am to layout the hall
- So far the following had indicated they wanted a stall: WI, RBL, Women's Section RBL, Conservation Soc., Hort Soc, Playgroup, School HAS.

3. **Street Fayre.** It will take place on Sunday 16 July 2006 and the theme will be Storming of the Basille/ French Revolution. The Community Council Executive with other volunteers would plan the event. Its first meeting will follow this meeting.

4. **Community Times.** Lorraine asked for contributions as soon as possible for the December edition

5. **Society Reports.**

- a. **Village Players.** Were deep in preparation for Jane Eyre due to take place 24 – 26 November.
- b. **Youth Club.** It is working hard to secure funding. A grant had been secured from the Lottery for a 'Fun Day' and this has to be arranged. It needs to recruit more members and help from parents.
- c. **Choir.** It will be singing at the Bazaar and plan to sing at the Nursing Home which is sponsoring them.
- d. **Conservation Soc.** Had a very successful joint meeting with the Hort Soc.
- e. **Over 60's Lunch Club.** This continues to be a great success and is very popular with all vacancies taken up. The Christmas party which is free will take place on 20 December at the home of Mr & Mrs Alexander.
- f. **Royal British Legion.** The Branch commemorated the 60th anniversary of the end of WW2 with the planting of a Black Poplar on the banks of the Stour and the 200th anniversary of the battle of Trafalgar with the planting of an oak tree near the Anchor Bridge. Both occasions were well supported. Armistice day was commemorated by 35 members of the village with a 2 minutes silence at the War Memorial and there was a larger congregation than usual at the Remembrance service last Sunday. It was particularly well supported by the Scouts, cubs and brownies. The Branch is having a joint Christmas Party with the Women's section on 12 December.
- g. **Hort. Soc.** The Society had a good talk from Andrew Topley from Thompson and Morgan and any person wishing to buy next year's seeds will get a good discount if ordered through the Society. This is open to everybody – so put your orders in to Joan Moore.
- h. **Play Group.** The old hut was burnt on the Bonfire and the group is planning its Christmas party on 19 December

i. **School/HAS.** The meeting congratulated them on the quality of the 9 Guys produced on bonfire night

k. **WI.** The Group meeting at Leavenheath on 25 October was attended by over 100 members and the theme for the competitions was WW1 which the Bures branch won. On 1 November they had a very successful shopping trip to Blue Water and several walks have been organised by Sandra Norfolk. The annual General meeting is on 21 November in the Village hall.

6. **Treasurer's Report.**

- The Bonfire evening took £1385 and made a profit of £742 which was similar to last year. The evening was notable for the number of Guys on the bonfire
- There was likely to be a surplus of about £1000 on the year which was good. The worth of the fund was £13,548.
- There have been no grant applications.

7. **Christmas Tree.** It was agreed to erect the Christmas tree on 10 December at 9am. Clair agreed to contact Iain Wright for the loan of his coloured lights.

8. **Suffolk Digital Cinema. Network.** Details of the scheme being publicised by Babergh District Council was passed to Andrew from the Parish Council. The essence is;

- Opportunity to hire the equipment at no charge.
- There are three sets in the County, one of which is stored at the quay theatre in Sudbury.
- Currently being used at Polstead, Hartest Hitcham and Lavenham
- Need to attend a free training course and it takes 2-3 people at each venue to set it up.
- Films can be obtained through a film bank and cost £90 each which can be re-coup by having a charge. There is a one off fee for joining the Film Bank. Membership to the Network is free.
- Venues need 30ft front to back and 15ft clearance to accommodate the screen
- Apply for membership to the network on www.suffolkinema.org.uk or ring 01473 826615 and this also provides details of the Film bank.

The Community Council Executive does not feel it can take this on but one of the societies or the Village Hall might be interested.

9. **Date of next Meetings.**

8pm Monday 30 January 2006. It will be preceded by an executive meeting at 7.30pm and followed by a Street Fayre meeting.

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