

# NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## Minutes from the Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2011 in the Church Hall

David George welcomed members to the meeting.

- ♦ **There were 24 members present:** David George, Jenny Smith, Bryan Smith, Lorraine Brooks, Hazel Gardiner, Ken Willingale, Will Hitchcock, Colin Ramsell, Tricia Hall, Chris Hunt, Vicky Sargent, Claire Buller, Alex Badman, Trevor Smy, Andrew Gowen, Julie Mansfield, Jill Badman, Wendy Sparrow, Andora Carver, Gerry Battye, Sylvia Bond, Pat Bray, Emma Bishton, Mandy Cook and Iain Wright.
- ♦ **Apologies were received from:** Dawn Kendall
- ♦ **Minutes of the last meeting** on 12<sup>th</sup> September were approved.
- ♦ **CC Volunteers:** No volunteers have come forward. David proposed the cost of Lorraine's camera be paid by the CC - it was agreed to pay £261.97 for the camera and card. She was thanked for all her work on the Community Times, etc.
- ♦ **CC Notice Board:** Alex Badman was thanked for organising the replacement notice board. He agreed to insert a soft backing to enable drawing pins to be used easily.
- ♦ **Correspondence:** Andrew Gowen asked the CC consider supporting a proposal to install fitness equipment for teenagers and adults on the Village Hall playing field. The Parish Council were supporting the idea which would be led by the VHMC. Five pieces of equipment would cost about £11,600 including installation and the next stage would be to look for grants or lottery funding. The CC agreed to support the proposal.
- ♦ **Grants:** There were no grant requests.
- ♦ **Village Quiz:** The quiz evening had gone very well. Thanks were expressed to the Bell ringers for organising the evening.
- ♦ **Bonfire Night:** This year was the busiest yet with 700 people and £1,200 profit. It was noted Leavenheath did not have one this year but Stoke by Nayland and Langham had theirs on the same night. Thanks were expressed to Fred Bugg, Bryan would get him a bottle of malt. Thanks were expressed all the helpers involved. This was Andrew's last year leading on the firework display as he wishes to hand over to a younger person. He was thanked for his help over the years. Alex Badman said he has a Pyrotechnic ticket. He is committed to Littlegarth's display on the nearest Friday but could do next year as 5<sup>th</sup> November is a Monday. Colin Ramsell agreed to be an assistant. The CC would also like a younger person to volunteer for training.

### ♦ **Treasurer's Report**

Bryan Smith reported the council's unencumbered total assets were £16,795. He said profit to date on the Community Times was £1610.31 and the 2012 calendar £557.70 with 186 copies sold so far.

**Bonfire Night** Total profit: £1258.67

	Takings 2011	Takings 2010
Gate	1402.50	980.00
BBQ	394.50	367.50
Wine	327.15	264.09
Sparklers	278.00	174.50

We will need more necklaces next year, very popular and ran out.

### Assests

Petty Cash	323.97
Current Account	6,715.98
Deposit Account	11,138.13
Held on behalf First Response	(1,382.66)
Total Assets	<u>£18,178.08</u>

- ♦ **Community Times:** Lorraine stressed space was very tight and asked for contributions as soon as possible. Annual advertising had increased.
- ♦ **Village Calendar:** The calendar team are willing to continue for another year and the CC agreed it should do another calendar for 2013.

#### ◆ FORTHCOMING ACTIVITIES:

- **Christmas Family Fayre on Sunday 27 November** 12-2pm: Alex Badman is leading. The hall will be opened at 8am, stalls can begin setting up at 9.30am.  
Father Christmas will be in attendance with a Brownie as his elf, Julie Mansfield is organising the presents. Ken will be unable to man the CC raffle table but will get the meat voucher, Lorraine will set up table, Claire and Jenny will man it, the raffle drum needs to be located.  
The Christmas tree needs to be organised.  
The School are not having a table but will provide musical entertainment at 12.30. Transition Nayland will be doing a soup kitchen using foraged food. The Art Group will have an exhibition in the bar.  
There will be a hanging decoration competition to be judged by Mick Inkpen  
Tables already booked include: Andrew's mulled wine, Brownies, HortSoc and W.I.  
Thanks were expressed to Iain for reproducing the posters and flyers.
- **Village Christmas Tree:** will be erected on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am. Claire is organising but won't be there on the morning, Andrew will cover. Iain will have cherry picker available.
- **Jubilee 2012 Celebrations:** Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June. Despite promotion in the CT, posters round the village and emails via the school feed back had been very disappointing. As a decision had to be made it was agreed to go ahead, at this stage with the idea of a shared family street party lunch followed by screening of the London pageant. The village hall was booked in case of inclement weather and for the screening.  
The Parish Council finance committee still need to discuss their commitment towards to cost of purchasing mugs. It was noted they would require them to be good quality mugs and be printed with the NwW Community Council & Parish Council. They would only fund towards mugs for NwW children but they have no idea of the number of children in the village who may qualify. It was suggested that mugs be given to those who apply and fit the eligibility criteria, with additional mugs being available to purchase. A way forward needs to be established as discounts are available from suppliers for early bulk orders.  
Jill Badman kindly agreed to chair a Jubilee sub-committee with Claire Buller, Tricia Hall, Alex Badman, Julie Mansfield, Colin Ramsell, Mandy Cook, Iain Wright and Steve Maguire. They would be supported by the CC executive. It was noted Bryan and Jenny would be away for much of May and June. Setting up of the fete begins at 7.30am on the 4<sup>th</sup> June. There will be a 1950s exhibition in St James over the weekend organised by HortSoc and Wendy Sparrow. Jill was thanked for offering to take the lead.

#### ◆ SOCIETY REPORTS

- **RBL:** David said following some good outings there would be more in future and they are open others. In addition to hospital and medicine runs they now offer to take glass for recycling and are key-holders in case of emergency to the elderly with alarms.
- **Art Group:** Colin said they continue to have regular tutors and will be having an exhibition at the Christmas Fayre.
- **HortSoc:** Trevor said it has been a very successful year of speakers, outings, shows and a 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary party. Membership has increased to 120. A tree was recently planted in memory of Olive Willingale, their Secretary and President for 30 years. They are having a stall at the Christmas Fayre then will emerge in March with a speaker on 20<sup>th</sup> and spring show on 24<sup>th</sup>. The schedule and details of events is available on [www.naylandhortsoc.org.uk](http://www.naylandhortsoc.org.uk)
- **Guides & Brownies:** Julie Mansfield said their pantomime had been cancelled because Guide numbers were too low. In preparation for Remembrance Sunday the Brownies had a fun evening learning about what the Guides did during WW1 and WW2.
- **Bowls:** Sylvia said it was their best ever summer league until they reached the final playoff! The winter league has now begun and they are currently doing well.
- **Village Players:** Jenny said they are rehearsing for the panto, Dick Turpin. Performances will be on November 25 and 26 with a matinee on 26<sup>th</sup> and on December 2 and 3 with a matinee on 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- **Transition Nayland:** Will said the second AGM had taken place when the reported on their successful projects. They will organise the soup kitchen at the Christmas Fayre and Chris Hunt will be the guide for their winter walk on 17<sup>th</sup> December.
- **Woodland Corner:** Tricia said the Wine Tasting in October had gone very well, raising £1,000.
- **School Eco Team:** Emma called for volunteers to help tidy their wildlife garden. They have received funding from the Dedham Vale & Stour Valley Project to develop the garden further.
- **Choir:** Emma said their recent concert had a reasonable audience but suggestions for increasing audience numbers would be welcome. The choir was taking part in the annual church carol service on December 18 and would rehearse for four weeks from November 24 at 8pm in the school hall.
- **W.I.:** Wendy said they hosted a successful annual Group Meeting in October in the Village Hall of over 100 ladies from Bures, Polstead and Leavenheath and Nayland. The AGM in November will be followed by a talk on Financial Advice and in December the speaker will be from the Colchester Mercury Theatre.

- **Surgery:** Vicky said the Surgery has had a new phone system installed with options to go through to each department.
  - **Conservation Society:** Jill said their talk on 'Jane Walker and her Hospital' and the joint meeting with HortSoc had gone well. They are in the process of adopting the Wiston telephone kiosk with a view to moving it to replace the one removed from Bear Street. They will be planting three disease resistant elm trees on the allotment field. Open Gardens will be on 17 June.
  - **First Response:** Andrew said they had one new recruit but need many more as they are still pushed to provide 24 hour cover. They have a new Eastern Region calling system which is causing a few niggles and our area is likely to extend into Great Horkesley and Boxted.
  - **Village Hall:** Iain Wright was very impressed by the turnout for the Village Hall Garden working party and is grateful for all the work done. The garden is now looking good. He is particularly grateful to James Carver for organising the clearout and cleaning of the outside store used by the Community Council and the Footballers. Andrew said the online booking system was fully functional and hoped people would start using it - booking forms must still be completed and sent to the booking secretary to ensure the bid is confirmed.
- ♦ **AOB:**
- **Youth Club:** Following many incidents of bad behaviour and damage to the village hall it was agreed a letter be sent to the Youth Club saying the CC will no longer financially support the Club if an improvement is not seen in their behaviour.
- ♦ **Date of next meeting:** will be **Monday 9 January 2012**, Church Hall, 8pm with Exec at 7.30pm. Meetings for rest of year: AGM 7 March 2012.
- A meeting of the Diamond Jubilee sub-committee will be held on Thursday 24th November, 7.30pm at Sargeants, Bear Street.