

# NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## Minutes from the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2012 in the Church Hall

Alex Badman welcomed members to the meeting.

- ♦ **There were 14 members present:** Alex Badman, Bryan Smith, Lorraine Brooks, Colin Ramsell, Hazel Gardiner, Tricia Hall, Vicki Sargent, Trevor Smy, Jill Badman, Wendy Sparrow, Pat Bray, Mary George, Maria Mason, Sue Clarke.
- ♦ **Apologies were received from:** Ken Willingale, Will Hitchcock, Claire Buller, Jenny Smith, David George.
- ♦ **Minutes of the last meeting:** held on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2012 were approved (*proposed Bryan Smith, seconded Colin Ramsell*). There was an update noting that VAT would not be payable on Ed Oakes' quote for printing the CT, therefore his quote would be £180 and it would be produced by Spingold Graphics, not MJO Publications.
- ♦ **Matters Arising:**
- ♦ **CC Notice Board:** Problems with the door and water getting in have been dealt with. Key holders are Alex Badman and Hazel Gardiner who will keep it up to date with promotion, minutes and agendas. **Action by:**  
Hazel
- ♦ **Village Christmas Tree:** Site meetings with the Parish Council have taken place. Alex will draw up a specification of the proposed hole to site the Christmas tree in time for the PC meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> July. Alex
- ♦ **Grants:**
  - **Woodland Corner:** A letter of thanks had been received for the grant of £1,000 towards the fitting of hard flooring throughout to replace the existing durable carpet.
  - **Village Hall:** The grant for improvement of external lighting to the side pathway and rear floodlights, totalling £821.81 inc VAT has not yet been finalised. Bryan
  - **Village Hall:** A request for a further grant had been received; for a contribution towards additional shutters for the bar and kitchen areas. It is thought the Country Music Club and Village Players may make a contribution. It was pointed out that a traditional grant request for £1000 towards the Endowment may be submitted and it was agreed to defer a decision until that is confirmed.
- ♦ **Recent Activities - Diamond Jubilee Celebrations:**

Alex Badman said the event went very well. He was delighted and enormously grateful to everyone who appeared out of the woodwork to help when change of plans were needed at the last minute due to the weather. Jill Badman said more than 450 people attended and everyone had a great day. Many messages and emails of thanks had been received. Jill also gave her thanks to everyone who helped, especially mentioning Lorraine and Claire. Bryan Smith presented Jill and Lorraine with framed photographs of villagers toasting the Queen at the Jubilee lunch as a thank you memento.

There are 6 mugs left, if anyone would like to buy one let Jill know.
- ♦ **Correspondence:**
  - The annual report from Suffolk Acre, the CC insurers, has been received and will be kept by Lorraine for six months.
  - Will Hitchcock has resigned from the Executive due to increasing commitments. The CC were grateful for his valued contribution. A replacement PC representative would be needed on the Exec committee but Mary George represented them at this meeting.
- ♦ **Treasurer's Report:** Bryan Smith said the main activity had been the Jubilee Party. The cost had been £1,815.35, which was below the £2,000/£2,500 budgeted.

Main expenditures were: Hire of chairs £396, Hire of Hall & field £205, Pizzas £130, Punch & Judy £150, Shield £156, Drinks/Lollies/Bunting £326, Printing £70, Presents/Prizes £97, Games £66. With £500 from the Parish Council and the sales made the income and expenditure on the mugs just about balanced (receipts £880, payment to the PC £880.61).

Current assets stand at £15,781.11. We have committed expenditure to the Village Hall of £821.81, the printing of the calendar is expected to be £652.40 and the cost of the proposed Christmas tree fixing has still to be quantified.

Therefore unencumbered assets stand at £14,306.90 (less the tree fixtures).
- ♦ **Community Times:** Lorraine asked for contributions for the August issue. She added advertising had increased slightly to 52 yearly advertisers. The smaller size adverts were higher value for the CC. Currently 10 pages (¼ of the magazine) is taken by advertising. **Action by:**

A volunteer is urgently needed to attend Parish Council Meetings and produce a report for the CT and for submission to the press. After 30 years reporting on this Pat Bray is no longer able to continue and it is too much for Lorraine to cover every PC meeting. Lorraine

No further quotes had been obtained for printing the CT but enquiries had been made to the printer of the calendar. More progress is likely for the next meeting.

- ♦ **Village Calendar:** Lorraine passed round the printers proof and said 350 copies had been ordered. They would be on sale at the Flower Show on 4<sup>th</sup> August and after that in local shops. If anyone can sell them at their group's events or has ideas for increasing sales opportunities please let her or Trevor Smy know.

Calendar Team

A photo album of all the entries in the calendar competition is being put together by Wendy Sparrow and will be available to view at the Flower Show. An on-line version will be available on the Nayland website.

- ♦ **Village Quiz - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October:** Alex is circulating a request for village societies to submit ten questions for the quiz which he will collate. Woodland Corner have kindly agreed to help run the quiz. The hall has been provisionally booked - needs confirming with payment. Lorraine will promote locally and prepare posters.

Alex  
Woodland C.  
Bryan  
Lorraine

- ♦ **Bonfire Night - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November:** Alex will ensure our firework order is submitted within the deadline to claim discount.

Alex  
Lorraine

It was agreed to increase the entrance price for adults to £4 but children's entry would remain at £1. Prices for items on sale would remain the same. Lorraine will promote beyond the village in free magazines and prepare posters.

- ♦ **Christmas Fayre - Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December:** Alex said he will check that the School Choir will be able to perform. Table/stall booking slips will be included in the October CT

Alex

## SOCIETY REPORTS

- ♦ **RBL:** There are a few spaces left for the outing to Chatham Dockyard on 18<sup>th</sup> July – contact Andrew Gowen if interested. They continue their medicine and hospital runs.
- ♦ **Village Players:** Bryan Smith said auditions for the fantasy production, *Fire and Ice*, take place on 8<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> July. Performances will be on 30<sup>th</sup> Nov and 1<sup>st</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Dec.
- ♦ **HortSoc:** Trevor Smy said they had an interesting visit to the RSPB Wildlife Garden at Flatford. He thanked everyone who supported the Morning Market and the 1950s exhibition to celebrate the Jubilee – both were successful. They had an enjoyable outing to Blacksmith's Cottage Nursery and East Ruston Old Vicarage Gardens. Deadline for entries in the Scarecrow competition is 7<sup>th</sup> July and for the Hanging Baskets competition 21<sup>st</sup> July. The Flower Show is on 4<sup>th</sup> August, the Summer Party on 13<sup>th</sup> July and an outing to RHS Hyde Hall and Ingatestone Hall & Garden on 16<sup>th</sup> September.
- ♦ **Conservation Society:** Jill Badman said they were grateful to everyone for supporting Open Gardens which raised £2,500. They have purchased, for £1,500 at Christie's auction, an original Constable sketch plan for his altarpiece. They hope to have a large copy on display in St James' and the original will be on display at future meetings.
- ♦ **Nayland Fundraising Committee:** Jill Badman said they were planning a Race Night on 17<sup>th</sup> November to support Movember – the charity for testicular and prostate cancer.
- ♦ **Art Group:** Colin Ramsell said with better weather they decamped to the picturesque setting of Wiston Mill for a days painting and picnic with tutor Keith Whitelock. They are grateful to Suki Cohen and her husband. Term ends on 11<sup>th</sup> July.
- ♦ **Women's Institute:** Wendy Sparrow said they had helped with teas for the Fete. They would be making cakes for the Hospice as they do every year. They will be visiting Hyde Hall on 16<sup>th</sup> July and on 20<sup>th</sup> August are having an afternoon Tea Party.
- ♦ **Youth Club:** Maria Mason said there are two more sessions this term and parents are being invited to a barbecue to try and attract volunteer helpers. They had a stall at the Fete and have a new banner. They are trying to raise their profile.
- ♦ **Choir:** Hazel Gardiner said their summer concert with audience participation had been successful. They would be having an autumn concert.
- ♦ **Woodland Corner:** Sue Clark said they were grateful for the grant and work on the flooring will take place when they break up for summer. They were holding a fundraising mini Olympics with races and games and BBQ for the family on Saturday. She said places would be available for new children at Woodland Corner in September. The summer holiday club will not run this year due to building works in the school grounds.
- ♦ **Nayland Surgery:** Vicki Sargent said two new nurses will be joining the practice.

## ♦ AOB:

**Village Notice Boards:** Lorraine pointed out staple guns should not be used to put posters up on the village notice-boards. There are notices requesting that they are not used. Staples make it difficult for other users.

- ♦ **Date of next meeting:** will be on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2012**, Church Hall, 8pm with Exec at 7.30pm. Meetings for rest of year: 12<sup>th</sup> November, 9<sup>th</sup> January 2013 and AGM 6<sup>th</sup> March 2013.

*The meeting ended at 9.10pm*