NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes from the meeting held on 1st May 2013 in the Church Hall

Iain Wright, acting chairman, welcomed members to the meeting.

- **There were 12 members present:** Iain Wright, Lorraine Brooks, Colin Ramsell, Claire Buller, Tricia Hall, Neil Barbrook, Wendy Sparrow, Jill Badman, Rachel Hitchcock, Gerry Battye, Mark Burbidge, Richard Fernandez.
- Apologies were received from: Alex Badman, Jenny Smith, Bryan Smith, Vicki Sargent, Pat Bray, Ian McKay, Trevor Smy, Maria Mason,
- Minutes of the last general meeting: held on 14th January 2013 were approved (*proposed Gerry Battye*, *seconded Claire Buller*)

Matters Arising:

- Village Christmas Tree: The fixing will go ahead now the weather has improved. It was felt the drum currently used should be kept for the time being. Action by: <u>Alex</u>
- Notice Boards: The Community Council notice board in High Street has been repaired by Roy Norfolk. He has begun constructing a replacement board to be put on the Old Forge, next to Forget Me not.
- **Parish Council Representative:** Gerry Battye said the PC is now at full compliment and he hopes a member of the PC will be named as representative for the CC Executive later this month.
- Executive Committee Vacancies/Responsibilities: It was felt a stronger executive was needed and word of mouth was the best way to recruit new members. Claire Buller suggested the Quiz may provide a good opportunity to ask for volunteers to join the CC exec.

Correspondence:

- There was no correspondence
- Grants:
 - There were no new grant applications
- Recent Activities:
 - AGM: The next AGM will be a joint meeting with the VHMC. It was suggested making it more of a social event may attract more people to attend. Having a speaker, a wine tasting or cheese and wine evening were mentioned, the latter being favoured.

• Treasurer's Report: Bryan Smith's report was as follows:

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Community Times	1,227.50	Grants: Village Hall (Endowment)	1,000.00
Interest CCLA	25.29	Community Times	402.00
Jubilee Mug (late sales)	10.00	Bonfire Night (Hall/field hire)	97.50
Calendar (inc 2012 Sales)	245.00	Christmas Fayre (Hall hire)	60.00
PC Interest on loan	3.11	Misc (Suffolk Acre)	30.00
Total	1,510.90	Total	1,589.50
<u>Assets</u>			
Cash	204.41		
Current Account	2,636.99	We hold £1,092.67 for First Response,	
CCLA Deposit Account	15,306.87	therefore unencumbered assets are £17,055.60	
Total	18,148.27		

• Community Times: Lorraine Brooks asked that groups requiring space for promoti	on or large Action by:	
articles in the coming issue let her know as soon as possible. It has been suggested a	'see it Lorraine	
snap it' photo be included each issue - please submit photos of things spotted in the p	arish. The	
first photo will be of St George's flag being raised on St James Church.		
Village Calendar: Lorraine Brooks said the photographic competition for next yea	r's	
calendar will be held on Bank Holiday, 6th May from 1.30pm-4pm in the Church H	all. There	
have been just over 90 entries, slightly down on last year probably due to the weather not		
providing good scenes.	<u>Team</u>	
It was agreed to order 300 copies of the Calendar, costing just over £600 (proposed	Claire	
Buller, seconded Tricia Hall). Sponsorship had produced £300 income.		

• Forthcoming Activities:

• Fundraising activities for 2013: Ideas mentioned included street fayre, music festival and coffee morning. It was felt the committee is not strong enough or have sufficient volunteers to hold a fayre or festival. It was felt a coffee morning would be asking societies to repeat what they already do for their own societies. It was felt the most viable suggestions were: a live band in the village hall, a barn dance or a Valentines dance.

Holding a raffle at the monthly Farmers market was suggested - Iain Wright agreed to approach the organiser.

- Village Quiz Friday 4th October: Rachel Hitchcock would be leading in a similar way to last year. Alex will liaise regarding appealing for questions from societies and will send questions remaining from last year. The hall is provisionally booked.
- **Bonfire Night Tuesday 5th November:** Alex will increase the order of fireworks ordered this year. Alex will liaise with Claire regarding the order for sparklers and glow-necklaces. The hall/playing field are booked. A volunteer for pyrotechnic training is required; it involves one Sunday at Mersea learning safe use of fireworks and first aid.
- Christmas Fayre Sunday 1st December 12-2pm: A volunteer is needed to help co-ordinate the Fayre. The hall is booked.

SOCIETY REPORTS

- Village Players: Their production, *Hay Fever*, was very successful. Auditions for their next production, *Murdered To Death*, will take place in July.
- Youth club: They are grateful for support of the Table Top Sale, another will be held in September. They are holding a Snail Race Night on 21st June, tickets are available from the Post Office and Youth Club.
- HortSoc: Lorraine Brooks said they are delighted their events have been very well supported; the Talk on Dahlias and AGM and Quiz evening, the Spring Show went very well despite it snowing on the day. The Morning Market will be on 18thMay, the coach outing is full to Sissinghurst Castle Garden on 11th June, there will be a film screening of *Digging For Victory* about Capel St Mary allotments and their produce show on 18th June. The scarecrow and hanging baskets competitions will take place in July and the show in August.
- **Conservation Society:** Jill Badman said about 100 people attended the Test Pit Dig results talk by Carenza Lewis. Another smaller dig may be arranged if funding to pay the team at Cambridge can be found. They have a footpath walk on 6th May, Open Gardens on 9th June and John Rix will be talking about *Farming in the Stour Valley* on 24th June.
- Nayland Fundraising Committee: Jill Badman said the their Coffee Morning went very well raising £450 plus for the Shelley Centre for Therapeutic Riding. Their next event will be a Cabaret Evening in aid of Ovarian Cancer.
- Women's Institute: Wendy Sparrow said Charlie Haylock's talk on *An Eccentric Look at Suffolk* had been fun. Their annual meeting will be held on 20th May.
- Choir: Richard Fernandez said they are rehearsing Verdi's Requiem for their performance with Bury Bach Choir at Bury Cathedral on 18th May and are looking forward to their participation at the Albert Hall on 7th July.
- Art Group: Colin Ramsell said they are planning a outing to Christchurch Mansion and looking forward to another tutorial with Keith Whitlock.
- Woodland Corner: Rachel Hitchcock said they had a very positive AGM and the of children attending has risen this term. They aim to keep fees which cover running costs as low as possible, their fundraising income purchases equipment. They will be holding a ladies evening again.
- **Parish Council:** Gerry Battye said they were progressing with their programme of street lighting upgrades and he asked for feedback following the Parish Assembly. Members felt the speaker had been rather controversial and negative and didn't go down well, some felt local reports were wanted, some felt discussion of a local issue is the best way of attracting people to attend.

• AOB:

- There was no further business
- Date of next meeting: will be on Wednesday 3rd July 2013, Church Hall, 8pm with Exec at 7.30pm.

Meetings for 2013/14: Wednesday 4th September, Wednesday 30th October, Monday 13th January 2014 & Wednesday 5th March 2014 the AGM.

The meeting ended at 8.50pm

<u>Iain Wright</u>

<u>Alex Badman</u> <u>& Rachel</u> Hitchcock

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> <u>Volunteer</u> <u>needed</u>