

## Minutes from the meeting held on 8th May 2019 in the Church Hall

Rachel Hitchcock welcomed members to the meeting.

- ◆ **There were 11 members present:** Rachel Hitchcock, Lorraine Brooks, Bryan Smith, Julie Clark, Vicki Sargent, Jo Metson, Colin Ramsell, Iain Wright, Wendy Sparrow, Trevor Smy, John Partridge.
- ◆ **Apologies were received from:** Ken Willingale, Maggie Ryan, Claire Buller, Rob Swan, John Parsonson, Mike Hunter, Justin Dowding, Sally Dalton, Kate Dunstan, Kate Field, Tracy Le Grys, Luke Rumbelow, Mary George.
- ◆ **Minutes of the last meeting** held on 10th January 2019 were approved (*proposed Bryan Smith, seconded Julie Clark*).

### MATTERS ARISING:

#### ◆ **Executive Committee:**

Rachel Hitchcock welcomed Jo Metson, as an Executive member, to the meeting and said further members would be welcome. More members would bring new ideas and thoughts to the CC. Membership is not arduous; meetings are held just six times a year. It is an enjoyable friendly village committee and an ideal way for those new to the village to become involved and meet new friends. Contact Rachel 263169 [rachel\\_hitchcock@hotmail.com](mailto:rachel_hitchcock@hotmail.com) if you would like to know more.

Current members confirmed their status as group members: Rachel Hitchcock – Messy Church, Iain Wright – Village Hall, Jo Metson – HSA, John Parsonson – Art Group.

- ◆ **Fundraising Activities & Events:** Ideas for fund raising projects to benefit the CC are always welcome.

- ◆ **Community Defibrillator:** There are two defibrillators in Nayland; located at the Village Hall and at the Fire Station. Rachel Hitchcock said a training session with Community Heartbeat Trust will be held on 15<sup>th</sup> May, 7.30pm at Nayland Primary School for those that could not attend the last session. Although training is not required to use a defibrillator these training sessions help raise awareness and give confidence to potential users.

Action by:

Rachel  
Hitchcock

- ◆ **Nayland 10k Fun Run:** Rachel Hitchcock reported 650 entries so far, this year they are aiming for 900 runners for the 10k, 5k and 1k distances. Entries and further details on [www.nayland10k.co.uk](http://www.nayland10k.co.uk) The charity to benefit from the event this year will be SESAW, the animal rescue centre in Leavenheath. Donations will also be made to NwW Community Council, NwW Conservation Society, Nayland Primary School and Charley Watkins Foundation. CoHoc, Colchester Hospitals Charity benefitted from the last two events.

Rachel  
Hitchcock

It was much appreciated that CC provided so many marshal volunteers in the past and will welcome CC volunteers for this year's event. Anyone marshalling will be entitled to free entry to the event for a friend or relative running the 10k, 5k or 1k distances. Please contact Luke 07598 821663 [rumbelow\\_2000@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:rumbelow_2000@yahoo.co.uk) or Rachel 263169 [rachel\\_hitchcock@hotmail.com](mailto:rachel_hitchcock@hotmail.com) if you can help.

- ◆ **Village Hall Garden:** The spring gardening morning was held on 16<sup>th</sup> March. The strong winds of Storm Gareth did not deter the happy band of volunteers. More hands make light work so volunteers to help are always welcome.

- ◆ **Correspondence:** There had been no correspondence not included elsewhere

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Maggie Ryan had sent her report.

- **Breakdown of profits:** Quiz £295.00, Community Times £368.50.
- **Current Position:** The accounts show reserves of £23,624.49, represented by Deposit a/c monies £10,639.38, Current a/c monies £12,917.33, Cash in hand £67.78. We hold £418.50 for the Services Fund. **Unencumbered assets are therefore £23,205.99.**

#### ◆ **GRANTS & DONATIONS:**

- **Village Hall Roof:** Following a presentation on the VH roof replacement proposal during the Village Hall AGM and further discussion by the CC Exec it was agreed to support their grant application for £10,000 towards the cost of the replacement roof (*proposed Colin Ramsell, seconded Vicki Sargent*). The meeting was reminded that the CC had agreed at their AGM to support the use of the VH endowment fund for the roof. The construction costs are estimated at £225,000.

Maggie Ryan

- **Lizzie's Fund in association with The Brain Tumour Charity:** Thanks had been received for a grant of £195 to cover hire of the village hall as part of a 50km endurance walk fundraiser for this charity. Eighteen local residents will be walking 50k, starting and finishing in Nayland; they will be joined by a considerable number of family and friends at the concluding fundraiser at the village hall.

- ♦ **Community Times & Websites:** Lorraine Brooks gave the usual plea for contributions for the next issue. Please take and submit photos of village activities and things seen in the parish for See It Snap It, etc.

Lorraine  
Brooks

Lorraine reminded societies to look at the events calendar on the Nayland & Wiston website when planning events to avoid clashes with other village activities.

- ♦ **Village Calendar:** Lorraine Brooks was pleased to say Wendy Sparrow has continued and Sally Dalton and Iris Sebba had joined the Calendar Team. We are grateful to Pat Bray who helped gain sponsorship.

Lorraine  
Brooks

The calendar photograph competition on 6th May was successful and just over 60 visitors enjoyed choosing their favourite 12 photos, although it was not an easy task. The CC and CT history and CT archives were on display; the CT has its 30th anniversary this year.

This year's calendar will not include historic photos and captions, therefore production will take less time; it was agreed to have the calendars on sale at the Nayland 10k and available in shops for summer tourists.

Calendar  
Team

Print costs, of £636 inc VAT, were approved (*proposed Iain Wright, seconded Rachel Hitchcock*)

We would be grateful to anyone who can help with selling the calendars; at local events or venues/groups they are involved with.

- ♦ **Forthcoming Activities:**

- **2019 Dates:** Nayland 10K Fun Run Sunday 30th June, Fireworks Tuesday 5th November, Christmas Fayre Saturday 7th December. The next Fun Quiz will be held in February 2020.

#### **SOCIETY REPORTS**

- ♦ **Art Group:** Colin Ramsell said under the guidance of their two visiting tutors they have been painting a myriad of subjects, from ballerinas, elephants, a male life model to Church Passage in Nayland. There is currently one vacancy to join the group which meets on Wednesday afternoons in the Church Hall. They are planning a visit to Munnings Museum for the '*Behind The Lines*' exhibition of his work when appointed as a war artist in France for the Canadian Cavalry Brigade and later for the Canadian Forestry Corps during 1918.
- ♦ **HortSoc:** Trevor Smy said the Spring Show and a talk on '*The History & Development of Perrywood Nursery*' during March had been successful and their AGM and Fun Quiz in April was well attended. The Morning Market, selling plants and cakes takes place on 11<sup>th</sup> May. They are taking bookings for a June outing to *Pashley Manor Garden*.
- ♦ **Women's Institute:** Wendy Sparrow said in March the Nayland branch celebrated their 62nd Anniversary with a lunch party at The Saracens Head at Newton Green and in April Simon Gallup spoke on '*Unknown Constable Country*'. On 21st May we will have our Annual Meeting and Resolutions and on 17th June Andy Malcomb from the Fishermen's Mission will talk on the subject '*The True Price of Fish and Chips*.'
- ♦ **Book Club:** Wendy Sparrow said they recently read '*This Is Going To Hurt*' by Adam Kay; it is a humorous book with a very sobering message about his years spent as a junior doctor; Adam left the Health Service and is now a stand-up comedian. Their current book is '*Dreams From My Father*' by Barack Obama.
- ♦ **Friends of Caley Green:** They have produced new temporary 'No Parking' signs for the Green and will start putting them out towards the end of May.
- ♦ **Parish Council:** There are currently 4 vacancies on the Council. Councillors are: Gerry Battye, Ned Cartwright, Laura Erith, Tricia Fuller and Mary George. Attendance at CC meetings is likely to be rotated between them until they are back to full complement. Birch Street will be closed to traffic for five days between 9am and 3pm from 20th May to sort out the drainage from the bottom of Gravel Hill to Mill Street and the culvert with the defunct millstream along the back of Birch Street gardens from the Mill Street to Socket Alley.
- ♦ **Conservation Society:** John Partridge said the May Bank Holiday walk, this year around Polstead, had been interesting and a visit to Euston Hall, a delightful house with a wealth of antiques, was most enjoyable despite the wet weather. Twenty one gardens are expected to be included in Open Gardens on 9<sup>th</sup> June and on 24<sup>th</sup> June Sarah Cook will be talking on Cedric Morris, a local but internationally renowned artist and plantsman.
- ♦ **Royal British Legion:** John Partridge said they had an interesting visit to Stow Marie, a WW1 military aviation museum based at an aerodrome in Maldon. Originally opened in 1916 as home to B Flight of No 37(HD) Squadron, Royal Flying Corps, the aerodrome saw the birth of the Air Defence of Great Britain in response to the first raids by Zeppelins and Gotha bombers on London and the South East. Their next meeting will be on 13<sup>th</sup> May when Dick Strover will give a talk about his father's experiences and letters home as a Royal Flying Corps pilot and POW. All are welcome.

- ◆ **Village Players:** Bryan Smith said '*Cash On Delivery*' went very well and received excellent feedback. The set had been complicated to construct and had some teething problems but was all part of the challenge. Jim Bond will be directing the next production which will be decided upon soon.
- ◆ **Baby & Toddler Group:** The group will be spreading the word/advertising for a new 'management' team to run the group from September, as Anna, Helen and Kate will be stepping down at the end of the summer term.
- ◆ **Village Hall:** Iain Wright thanked the CC for awarding a £10,000 grant and agreeing to the release of the Endowment Funds. Tricia Fuller is working hard on obtaining grants towards the roof replacement and they had a positive meeting with Babergh DC. General maintenance continues including appliances; the cooker may need repair/replacement.
- ◆ **Village Cinema:** Recent films have been well attended. This Friday's film is '*On The Basis of Sex*' the powerful true story of US Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg who led the fight against gender discrimination. Future dates are: 24<sup>th</sup> May '*Green Book*' inspired by the true story of a tour of the Deep South by African American classical and jazz pianist and Italian American bouncer who served as his driver and bodyguard. 14<sup>th</sup> June '*Loving Vincent*' a biographical drama film about the life of the painter Vincent van Gogh, and, in particular, about the circumstances of his death. It is the first fully painted animated feature film.
- ◆ **Messy Church:** Rachel Hitchcock said this is an informal introduction to the church with fun activities for children and parents followed by afternoon tea. They are held on the last Sunday of the month.
  
- ◆ **AOB:** There was no further business
  
- ◆ **Date of next meeting:** will be on **Wednesday 3rd July 2019** in the Village Hall. Exec at 7pm.  
**Meetings for 2019:** General meetings will be Wednesday 4th September & Monday 28th October.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm