

NAYLAND-with-WISSINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the General Meeting held on 7 February 2005

Apologies: Allan Machin, Eva Rolfe, Margaret Moore, Chris Hunt, Barry Wakefield and Graham Griffiths.

There were 17 Members present under the Chairmanship of Andrew Gowen.

1. **Minutes of Meeting held on 14 December 2004.** These were approved by members and signed by the Chairman. There were no matters arising not covered by the agenda.

3. **Village Quiz on 4 March 2005.** This was being organised by the Smith and Gowen families and they had decided:

- Not to provide food and invite people to bring their own
- Reduce the cost of the tickets to £3 or £12 for a table of 4.
- Marking would be as for previous years; a marking team of 4 on the stage. Mandy Cook, Sean Norfolk and David George agreed to assist with marking.
- Ken Willingale agreed to organise the raffle and would welcome prizes
- Setting out tables in the Village Hall would start at 7pm

4. **Community Times.** Lorraine Brooks thanked everybody for providing their contributions and would welcome more contributions from individuals. She passed to the Chairman the advertising details for the past year and there had been an increase in advertising revenue. She said that she had now produced 6 issues – time passes quickly. Ken Willingale agreed to act as co-ordinator for the June edition (Mandy Cook was doing the April edition). Roy Evans reminded the meeting that we still need a distributor for Wiston.

5. **Village Society reports.**

a. **Royal British Legion.** Reported that it was visiting patients in hospital and distributing prescriptions to housebound patients.

b. **Conservation Society.** Reported that the Meadow Pond and Reed Bed project had just started. The AGM is on 8 March and the subject will be “Finds in Old Houses” by Sqn Ldr Broomfield.

c. **Horticultural Society.** Asked to amend the last Minutes – their morning market was on 21 May. The Flower Show was on 6 August.

d. **Nayland Choir.** Reported that its next event was Handel’s Dixit Dominus on the 10 April in the Church

e. **Village Players.** Reported that its next production, Happy Families, a comedy, will take place on 17,18 and 19 March in the Village Hall.

f. **Youth Club.** Reported increased membership but that Suffolk CC had withdrawn funding for staff. The Parish Council had agreed to provide £500 and Community Council had agreed to match this amount. There was a meeting on 1 March to discuss the way forward. They need more trustees and a treasurer.

g. **Parish Council.** The meeting was reminded there was a public participation session at the start of Council meetings which allows members of the village to raise issues.

h. **District Council.** In his note giving his apologies, Chris Hunt reported that there had been changes to the Licensing Act and there will be a new procedure for obtaining temporary licences for the sale of alcohol at Village events. Babergh will be issuing details soon. (He also reported that the Country ‘n’ Western Club had some 15 events planned for the coming year.)

i. **Nayland Playgroup.** The Playgroup has received a fantastic Ofsted report – this was reported by a parent at the meeting.

j. **Cubs and Scouts.** Reported an increase in membership.

k. **Nayland and Wiston Website.** In his letter of apologies, Graham asked the members to note that the web site was now averaging 1000 hits a month.

l. **Tsunami Appeal.** Clair Prescott said that members of the village were holding a Coffee Morning in the Church Hall on Saturday 12 February and they would welcome cakes and raffle prizes and peoples attendance on the day. Entrance would be £1.

6. **Treasurer's Report.** In the absence of Al Machin there was no report.

7. **Grant Applications.**

a. **Youth Club.** A grant of £500 to match the £500 provided by the Parish Council, which was agreed at the last meeting, was confirmed.

b. **Nayland Choir.** A grant of £300 to the Nayland Choir was agreed on the understanding that they would review the way they finance their events in future. They should not rely on further grants from the Community Council.

c. **Nayland Playgroup.** A grant of £300 towards the replacement of the Group's shed was agreed.

8. **Chairman's Report .** The Chairman raised the following issues:

a. **Fund Raising.** It was agreed not to go ahead with a plant stall in May as it would be in competition with other village societies. Nevertheless there is a need for further fundraising ideas to help fund the increased grants being distributed by the Council.

b. **Village Hall Garden.** It was agreed to organise a gardening day at the Village Hall from 9am on 2 April and it was hoped that village societies would join the Community Council on that day.

9. **Future Meetings.** Meetings for the coming year were provisionally agreed (all start at 8pm with the Executive meeting at 7.30pm)

Monday 14 March 2005	AGM – already agreed.
Monday 6 June	General meeting
Monday 19 September	General meeting
Monday 5 December	General meeting
Monday 6 February 2006	General meeting
Monday 13 March 2006	AGM.

The Christmas bazaar is on Saturday 3 December 2005