NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes from the meeting held on 5th September 2012 in the Church Hall

Jenny Smith welcomed members to the meeting.

- There were 19 members present: Jenny Smith, Bryan Smith, Lorraine Brooks, Colin Ramsell, Claire Buller, Hazel Gardiner, Tricia Hall, Vicki Sargent, Karen Elliott, Iain Wright, Trevor Smy, Sylvia Bond, Rachel Hitchcock, Jill Badman, Pat Bray, Mary George, David George, Maria Mason, Ian MaKay.
- Apologies were received from: Alex Badman, Ken Willingale, Wendy Sparrow
- Minutes of the last meeting: held on 4th July 2012 were approved (proposed Hazel Gardiner, seconded Bryan Smith) with an amendment requested by Iain Wright: 'The grant for external lighting for the Village Hall had been suggested by the CC'.

• Matters Arising:

- Village Christmas Tree: The Parish Council had a site meeting with the County Councillor and Highways. Highways will check their records for underground utilities in the area. Mary George said she hopes there will be more progress at the PC meeting on 12th September.
- Parish Council Representative: There is still a vacancy on the executive committee for a representative of the Parish Council.

Grants:

- Village Hall: The grant for improvement of external lighting; for additional floodlights on the rear wall and the side pathway, totalling £821.81 inc VAT has not yet been finalised. Work has been done on the rear wall but not the side wall. No invoice has been submitted to Bryan Smith.
- Village Hall: Iain Wright said an application for a grant for the VHMC Endowment Fund would be made. He outlined the VHMC's maintenance funds. He added additional shutters for the bar and kitchen areas were still required. After discussion members felt the VHMC should establish what grants they require this year and put in a written application. It was suggested that the additional shutters for the bar hatch and kitchen hatch might benefit some regular users of the hall who may be prepared to contribute to the cost. The cost would be £730 plus fitting (approx £225) plus VAT. Representatives were asked to take the proposal back to their societies and contact Bryan Smith if they could help.
- Notice Board at The Forge: Members felt that it may benefit many in the village if the CC refurbished the notice board on the doors of the old Forge by Forget Me Not. Hazel agreed to contact Rachel and the new tenant.
- Youth Club: A grant request had been received towards the cost of hiring the Village Hall for 37 weeks between 10th September 2012 and 16th July 2013. Members felt Bryan Smith should contact their Treasurer to answer some queries, including why the cost had increased from previous years, and to discuss their budget.

• Correspondence:

- The August CT included a message of thanks to Roy Chapman and Sons for their support in the community. Roy Chapman has written, thanking the CC for their kind message. He says he is now enjoying retirement, John is very busy dog walking and gardening and Robert has settled with Carter Jonas. Roy added he still visits Nayland frequently he can't keep away!
- Treasurer's Report: Bryan Smith gave his report as follows:

<u>Expenses</u>		<u>Income</u>		<u>Assets</u>	
Insurance	141.00	CT Adverts	595.00	Current Account	631.84
Lock Electrical	205.62	Jubilee Mugs	40.00	Deposit Account	15,212.34
(VH Grant)		Calendars (52)	260.00	Cash	225.26
Calendar Print	632.40				
Fireworks	770.00				
CT Print	180.00				
Total	£1,929.02	Total	£895.00	Total	£16.069.44

We hold First Response money of £1,347.67. Our assets are therefore £14,721.77.

We had previously agreed to pay for the lighting improvement along the side passage as well as the rear floodlights that have been installed. The side lighting has not been done. The original quote for this was £616.19. Our unencumbered assets are therefore £14,105.58. Another possible outgoing would be the Christmas tree fixtures.

Alex

Action by:

<u>Iain</u>

<u>Iain</u>

<u>Hazel</u>

Bryan

• Community Times: Lorraine asked for contributions for the October issue.

No volunteers had come forward to attend Parish Council Meetings and produce a report for the CT and for submission to the press.

Sadly we lost Olive Noakes who was part of the distribution team. Kathy Hunt has kindly joined the team and will deliver in Harpers Estate. Claire Buller will now cover Wiston Road and Harpers Hill.

Additional quotes for printing the CT have been obtained. Quotes are: Spingold Graphics £180, 321 Print £256, Delta Print £345, DL Design £439, Smith & Watts £670. The Sixth Form College were unable to print the August issue because of building work so the job was given to Spingold on a trial basis. Members agreed the quality had been better and that we should make the change to Spingold.

Space in the CT has been getting increasingly tight. Yearly adverts have increased to 50, taking 10 pages (25% of the magazine) which is a reasonable balance with community news. It was previously agreed to limit the number of ½ page adverts according to space available, but allowing the two long standing yearly subscribers. Members felt this limit should remain.

An option we would have with Spingold is to increase to 44 pages at a cost of £15 per issue. It was felt this should be done on an if and when basis.

• Village Calendar: Hazel had some calendars with her for sale. They are available at the Post Office, Hatten's Stores, Forget Me Not and Gladwins Farm.

Ideas are needed for increasing sales opportunities and help is needed with selling them at village events. Please let Trevor Smy know on 262022 if you can help.

A photo album of all the entries in the calendar competition is available to borrow or can be viewed on the Nayland website. Start taking photos now ready for next year's competition.

• Village Quiz - Friday 5th October: The hall is booked from 7pm. The Quiz starts at 7.30pm sharp. Alex has requested village societies to submit ten questions for the quiz which he will collate. They have been received from: Bell Ringers, HortSoc, Conservation Soc and Village Players. Promotion in the CT and LSPN has been done. Posters need to be printed and put round the village.

Woodland Corner are organising the quiz – Rachel would like the questions in advance so they can check them.

Jenny will have the prizes ready for Rachel to collect. Iain will have the microphone ready,

• Bonfire Night - Monday 5th November: The fireworks have been ordered. Alex, Tom Gardiner and Jonathan Prescott-Smith are attending a pyrotechnic course on 16th September. Fred Bugg has agreed to build the bonfire and remove the debris providing no-one else puts any rubbish on the bonfire. Lorraine will prepare some signs – Bryan will put them up, a note will go on the front page of the CT.

Posters with new entrance prices are ready for printing. Lorraine will promote beyond the village in free magazines.

Volunteers include: Gate: Vicki & Hazel, Mulled Wine: Jenny & Tricia, BBQ: Claire & Colin, Sparklers, Necklaces & Drinks: Jill & friends.

Iain requested the bonfire debris was cleared before Christmas.

A £50 donation has been received by a Fen Street resident; Pam and the late Jock neighbour enjoyed watching the display from their bedroom for many years.

• Christmas Fayre - Sunday 2nd December 12-2pm: The School Choir will be able to perform, Father Christmas will be attending, Transition Nayland will be doing the Soup Kitchen with Rachel helping. Claire will contact Julie re Santa's presents. Jill will rethink the children's competition - Lorraine will redo the promotion.

Table/stall booking slips will be included in the October CT and should be submitted by 4th November.

Ken Willingale has expressed concerns that there is more than one raffle. It was pointed out that this was discussed in August 2010 and the solution at that time was that Lorraine would decorate the raffle table which had previously not been attractive. Also raffle type activities were to be restricted to HortSoc and Woodland Corner's tombola as they have done these activities for many years. Since 2009 the CC raffle has done better. It was felt the restriction should be better applied to prevent further raffles.

Action by:

Lorraine

<u>Calendar</u> <u>Team</u> & Bryan

<u>Alex</u> <u>Woodland C.</u>

<u>Jenny</u>

<u>Alex</u>

Lorraine

Volunteers

<u>Alex</u>

<u>Claire</u> <u>Jill</u> Lorraine

SOCIETY REPORTS

- **RBL:** There are a few spaces left for the outing to British Resistance Museum at Parham 3rd October contact Andrew Gowen if interested. They continue their medicine and hospital runs.
- Village Players: Jenny Smith said the cast will be rehearsing for the fantasy production, *Fire and Ice*. Performances will be on 30th Nov and 1st, 7th & 8th Dec. They have received 12 nominations for the NETG awards to be held on 14th September.
- HortSoc: Trevor Smy said 60 members enjoyed the Summer Party in July. Exhibitor numbers were up for the Flower Show, which was dedicated to Olive Noakes who died on 31s July. The coach outing to RHS Hyde Hall and Ingatestone Hall & Garden on 16th September is full. Matthew Tanton Brown will give a talk on *The Amateur Glasshouse* on 16th October and Neil Catchpole will talk about *Trees and the Stour Valley* on 13th November at the meeting with the Conservation Society.
- Conservation Society: Jill Badman said at a meeting last night Carenza Lewis from the Time Team outlined the procedures involved in test pit digging and showed examples of other projects. About 30 pit sites, including the school, allotment field, Court Knoll and private gardens would be involved in the test pit dig on 5-7 October. Volunteers to help dig and to make cakes for the display in Carvers Barn are required. On 9th October David Cawdell will talk about 'The Lost Bands of Suffolk'
- Nayland Fundraising Committee: Jill Badman said they were planning a Race Night on 17th November to support Movember the charity for testicular and prostate cancer.
- Art Group: Colin Ramsell said their autumn term begins on 12th September.
- **Bowls:** Sylvia Bond said they finished the summer league at the top of their division. The winter league starts on 1st October.
- Youth Club: Maria Mason said their autumn term starts on 11th September.
- Choir: Ian MaKay said their autumn concert, Faure's Requiem, would be held on 4th November, they were holding their annual quiz on 9th November.
- Woodland Corner: Tricia Hall said the new flooring had been laid during the holidays and was brilliant, so much better. They are holding their autumn cake sale on 29th September from 8.45am outside Kerridges.
- First Response: Karen Elliott said volunteers are needed to join the team.
- Fire Service: A charity car wash would be held but the date is not yet known.
- Nayland Surgery: Vicki Sargent said she will not be at the practice after 18th September. A report for the CT will be compiled by someone else.

• AOB:

- School Parking: Problems were reported with parents parking on pavements and blocking the road for buses and larger vehicles. Concern was expressed that the situation could prevent emergency vehicles getting through. It was suggested a police presence was needed. Mary George said she would discuss this with the Parish Council.
- **Doctors Appointments:** Concerns had been raised has over the delay to get an appointment with a doctor. It was pointed out that emergencies will be seen the same day. If anyone wishes to complain they should contact Mark Galloway.
- Street Cleaning: Concerns were expressed regarding street cleaning. Mary George explained the contractor's rotation schedule. She added highways are the responsibility of Babergh and she will pass on concerns to the District Councillor.
- Cinema Poster: Iain Wright asked if a poster for the village cinema could be displayed in the CC notice board
- School Open Afternoon: On 28th September from 3pm-5pm villagers are invited to the opening ceremony and to view the school facilities.
- Date of next meeting: will be on Monday 12th November 2012, Church Hall, 8pm with Exec at 7.30pm. Meetings for rest of year: 9th January 2013 and AGM 6th March 2013.

The meeting ended at 9.10pm