

# NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## Minutes from the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2013 in the Church Hall

Alex Badman welcomed members to the meeting.

- ♦ **There were 13 members present:** Alex Badman, Jenny Smith, Bryan Smith, Lorraine Brooks, Colin Ramsell, Hazel Gardiner, Tricia Hall, Vicki Sargent, Wendy Sparrow, Sylvia Bond, Maria Mason, Jill Badman, Andrew Gowen (*for executive meeting*).
- ♦ **Apologies were received from:** Ken Willingale, Pat Bray, Ian McKay, Trevor Smy, Iain Wright.
- ♦ **Minutes of the last meeting:** held on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2012 were approved (*proposed Colin Ramsell, seconded Hazel Gardiner*)
  
- ♦ **Matters Arising:**
  - ♦ **Village Hall:** Bryan Smith advised the executive that he had requested the VHMC to explain to the newer members of the CC Executive how the accounts were set out for the Village Hall so that we could better understand the request for a grant, This information was provided by Andrew Gowen, the Treasurer. Andrew was thanked for his assistance with this matter and was congratulated in the way he had kept such good control of the VH finances, which were fairly easy to understand. The Chair of the CC thanked Andrew for his assistance and reminded all village groups to tell their members and other contacts of the availability of this very valuable resource and to promote its use.  
The CC Treasurer's offer of resignation was declined (*proposed Hazel Gardiner, seconded Vicki Sargent, abstention Jenny Smith*)
  
  - ♦ **Village Christmas Tree:** Grateful thanks are due to Colin and David Moss who kindly made up the new fixing. Alex has this for painting and installation will take place in spring when the weather is more suitable **Action by:**  
Alex
  
  - ♦ **Parish Council Representative:** A letter will be sent to the PC to remind them of our constitutional requirement of having a designated PC representative on the CC executive committee. Alex
  
  - ♦ **Babergh Achievement Awards:** Alex said the person suggested by the CC had also been suggested by the PC and they put the nomination forward. This was successful and the recipient, will collect their award on 6<sup>th</sup> March. Their name and a reminder of their contribution to the village will appear in the Community Times.
  
  - ♦ **Correspondence:**
    - **Letter from Tom Gardiner:** was received by the CC executive re the Fireworks night, this matter was discussed and a vote was taken with regard to the content and actions of the CC. *The Chairman's offer of resignation was declined (proposed Bryan Smith, seconded Colin Ramsell).* A letter will be sent to Mr Gardiner apologising for any misunderstanding by the Chairman. Alex
  
  - ♦ **Grants:**
    - **Village Hall:** A grant request for £1,000 for their endowment fund had been received. During the executive meeting Andrew Gowen gave a detailed report on the purpose of the endowment fund, which is for long term development or disasters, and clarified queries. Andrew was thanked for his report. Payment of the grant was agreed (*proposed Bryan Smith, seconded Sylvia Bond*). Bryan
  
    - **Notice Board at The Forge:** Alex has not heard back from Bryn Hurren regarding the quote. Hazel pointed out the CC notice board needed attention; the left door was warped and the cork backing was coming off. Alex would contact Bryn again. Alex
  
    - **Freemasons Donation granted to the Luncheon Club & Over 60s Club:** A letter of thanks had been received from Olga Alexander on behalf of the Luncheon Club for over 60s; they enjoyed a special Christmas luncheon with raffle prizes and presents. Bryan  
The Over 60s Club would use their share of the donation for a coach outing in the spring/summer.
  
  - ♦ **Recent Activities:**
    - **Christmas Fayre - Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 12-2pm:** I was felt this was one of the best Christmas Fayres we have run. Special thanks go to Santa Claus for dropping in and to the School Choir. Their later performance at after 1pm worked very well.
  
    - **Village Christmas Tree:** Alex said the tree looked very nice this year with new lights and new light fittings installed in the Dental Surgery. We are grateful to them for supplying the

power for the lights. Thanks were also due to Fred Smith for the discounted price of the Christmas tree, to Claire and her band of helpers for erecting and taking down the tree and to Sean Norfolk for trimming the tree trunk to fit.

♦ **Treasurer's Report:** Bryan Smith gave his report to year end as follows:

<u>Income</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>Grants</u>	
Bonfire Night	1,295.78	1,238.67	Over 60s ( <i>Freemasons</i> )	261.14
Christmas Fayre	109.80	141.39	Woodland Corner ( <i>Freemasons</i> )	261.14
Community Times	2,173.67	1,832.15	Mothers & Toddlers ( <i>Freemasons</i> )	261.14
Quiz	191.00	156.82	Youth Club ( <i>Freemasons</i> )	261.14
Calendar	834.21	1,102.70	Woodland Corner ( <i>flooring</i> )	1,000.00
Grants from Freemasons	1,544.56	-	Village Hall / CC ( <i>lighting</i> )	205.62
			Youth Club ( <i>Village Hall hire</i> )	990.00
			Village Hall / CC ( <i>lighting</i> )	323.28
			Over 60s ( <i>Freemasons</i> )	54.65
			Luncheon Club ( <i>Freemasons</i> )	250.00
				£3,868.11
<u>Expenditure</u>				
Running costs were as expected			We hold First Response money of	1,092.67
except Jubilee Celebrations	1,689.56		& Freemasons grant for Over 60s	195.35
Overspend this year	182.78			
<u>Assets</u>	259.13			
Petty Cash	2,664.88			
Current Account	15,281.58			
CCLA Deposit Account	18,205.59		<b>Unencumbered assets are therefore</b>	<b>£16,917.57</b>

♦ **Community Times:** Lorraine Brooks asked that any groups requiring space for promotion or large articles let her know as soon as possible as the decision on how many pages to have is made a week or so ahead of deadline.

**Action by:**

♦ **Village Calendar:** A few calendars are still available at village shops. Calendar sales stands at 231. Hazel Gardiner said the photographic competition for next year's calendar will be held on Bank Holiday, 6th May - deadline for entries will be 28<sup>th</sup> April. It was hoped more images of village/society activities would be submitted.

Calendar Team

♦ **Forthcoming Activities:**

♦ **Fundraising activities for 2013:** We are looking for ideas to raise funds – please bring your ideas to the AGM on 6th March. A street fayre, car boot sale or dance have been mentioned.

♦ **Village Quiz - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October:** A group/society is needed to manage the evening. Village groups will again be asked to submit a few questions. The hall is provisionally booked for this date.

♦ **Other dates:** These include the Christmas Fayre on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 12-2pm and Bonfire Night on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November. A volunteer is needed to help co-ordinate the Fayre.

## SOCIETY REPORTS

♦ **RBL:** They are planning an outing on 24<sup>th</sup> April to Combined Military Services Museum at Maldon, contact Andrew Gowen if interested.

♦ **Village Players:** Jenny Smith said the fantasy production, *Fire and Ice*, was very successful. Auditions for their spring production, Noel Coward's *Hay Fever*, are taking place – all are welcome to audition or help off-stage. Performances will be on 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> April.

♦ **HortSoc:** Lorraine Brooks said the stall at the Christmas Fayre had been successful. On 19<sup>th</sup> March Rob Sherriff will give a talk on *Dahlia Growing*, the Spring Show is on 23<sup>rd</sup> March, schedules are available. Bookings are being taken for a coach outing on 11<sup>th</sup> June to Sissinghurst Castle Garden.

♦ **Conservation Society:** Jill Badman said the stall at the Christmas Fayre had been successful. John Walker, will talk about his *Ten Years with timber Framed Buildings of Suffolk* at the AGM on 11<sup>th</sup> March. The results of the Nayland Test Pit Dig will be revealed by Dr Careza Lewis on 29<sup>th</sup> April, Open Gardens will be on 9<sup>th</sup> June. A digital archive of old images is being created – they would be grateful for more photographs or documents to include.

♦ **Nayland Fundraising Committee:** Jill Badman said the the Race Night went very well and £3,000 was presented to the ICENI Centre at Colchester General Hospital as part of the Movember appeal – the charity for testicular and prostate cancer.

- ◆ **Women's Institute:** Wendy Sparrow said the stall at the Christmas Fayre had been successful. The December meeting about Belly Dancing was very entertaining and they hosted the Three Valleys Group carol service. On 21<sup>st</sup> January Ian Dewis will talk about *Olympics Volunteer Experience*.
- ◆ **Bowls:** Sylvia Bond said they were currently lying third in the 2<sup>nd</sup> division of the Winter League. They have attracted some new bowlers.
- ◆ **Choir:** Ian McKay said their mincemeat stall at the Christmas Fayre had been successful. They are rehearsing for Mozart's Requiem concert on 24<sup>th</sup> March on St James'. In May they will be performing at Bury Cathedral.
- ◆ **Art Group:** Colin Ramsell said they enjoyed their post Christmas lunch. The new term begins on 16<sup>th</sup> January – the programme for the term is being planned.
- ◆ **Youth Club:** Maria Mason said they have a new volunteer leader, Emma Elkin (replacing Adam White) and one more committee member (taking them up to 5). A fund raising Snail Race evening is being planned on 27<sup>th</sup> April.
- ◆ **Woodland Corner:** Tricia Hall said they all enjoyed the successful Christmas Fayre. They will have a cake sale outside Kerridges on 9<sup>th</sup> March and on 14<sup>th</sup> March a Boden Party at Woodland Corner. The number of children attending has risen this term.
- ◆ **AOB:**
  - **Village Hall Garden:** Lorraine said the garden morning would be held on 16<sup>th</sup> March from 9am and volunteers are needed to tend the CC section (in the corner by the bins).
  - **Village Hall AGM:** Bryan Smith encouraged members to attend the VHMC AGM on 4<sup>th</sup> March.
  - **Dog Fouling:** Alex said he had received no end of complaints about dog fouling. Members felt this was a problem all round the village and there had been incidents where bags of faeces had been left outside the post office.
  - **Buying Group:** Alex drew attention to [www.oil-club.co.uk](http://www.oil-club.co.uk). Although there was a buying group in Great Horkeley used by Nayland residents it had been suggested starting one in Nayland may be beneficial.
  - **Executive Committee:** Alex said that due to retirements over the last couple of years numbers on the executive committee have decreased. The CC meet every two months and occasional help with events would be welcome. He asked members to encourage people to come forward to join the Exec.
- ◆ **Date of next meeting:** will be the **AGM on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2013**, Church Hall, 8pm with Exec at 7.30pm.

Meetings for 2013/14: Wednesday 1st May 2013, Wednesday 3rd July, Wednesday 4th September, Wednesday 30th October, Monday 13th January 2014 & Wednesday 5th March 2014 the AGM.

*The meeting ended at 9.15pm*