

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes from the AGM held on 6th March 2013 in the Church Hall

Alex Badman welcomed members to the meeting.

- ◆ **There were 18 members present:** Alex Badman, Bryan Smith, Lorraine Brooks, Colin Ramsell, Tricia Hall, Claire Buller, Vicki Sargent, Iain Wright, Trevor Smy, Jill Badman, Andrew Gowen, Wendy Sparrow, Maria Mason, Mary George, Sue Clarke, Ian McKay, Neil & Jane Barbrook
- ◆ **Apologies were received from:** Ken Willingale, Jenny Smith, Pat Bray, Rachel Hitchcock, Hazel Gardiner
- ◆ **Minutes of the last AGM** on 7th March 2012 were approved (*proposed Andrew Gowen, seconded Wendy Sparrow*).

◆ **Chairman's Report:** Alex Badman gave his report.

To all of the members of the Executive and the committee members of the Community Council I must first give my personal thanks for all of your hard work during the last year.

We had a packed year, with our normal events of the Christmas Fayre, Christmas Tree, the Quiz Night which this year was a little different as all of the clubs/societies within the village were invited to submit questions on their own subjects and was a great success, the Fireworks Night, this year without rain and of course we cannot forget the Queens Jubilee Party, where over 400 residents were able to sit down and celebrate together. I must give a personal thanks to Ian Wright for his assistance in producing a marquee that sat over 150 people, at the drop of a hat, and the team of local residents that helped to put it up and take it down again.

A constant within the parish is the regular arrival of the CT, with its updates on what is going to be happening soon and the reports of the various societies advertisements timetables etc, this is a mammoth task and one that the CC Secretary takes on with all of her other little jobs, with this in mind I would like all of you to thank Lorraine Brooks for all of her fantastic work.

As some of you will know Jill and I have put our house up for sale and we may be moving out of the parish this will not happen quickly, it never does, so if required I am quite happy to continue as Chair of this committee at present but may have to resign in midterm if the need arises.

For next year we have much of the same in terms of events planned excluding the jubilee but we would like to put on an event that helps the CC to raise some money to replace some of our expenditure from this year, we have had some ideas given to us but we could do with more, how about a Boot sale or coffee morning, if you think you could help please let us know. The CC's mandate it to raise funds or to assist groups to raise funds within the parish so that they can operate; we also make a regular donation to the Village Hall to allow them to budget for any large amounts of expenditure that may arise due to the age of the building. The VH is one of the villages biggest assets and I urge you to support it, with not only your money but also with your time.

The CC this year has lost some of its committee members due to retirement, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for all of their help, but, we need to replace them so if any of you can or know somebody that can help out, we would welcome their support.

- ◆ **Treasurer's Report:** Bryan Smith read out highlights of the year as follows, but had detailed income and expenditure sheets available.

| <u>Profits/Income</u> | <u>2012</u> | <u>Grants</u> | |
|------------------------|------------------|--|-------------------|
| Bonfire Night | 1,295.78 | Youth Club | 990.00 |
| Christmas Fayre | 109.80 | Woodland Corner (<i>flooring</i>) | 1,000.00 |
| Community Times | 2,173.67 | Village Hall / CC (<i>lighting</i>) | 528.90 |
| Quiz | 191.00 | Freemasons grants: | |
| Calendar | 834.21 | Over 60s (<i>Old Peoples Club</i>) | 315.79 |
| Grants from Freemasons | 1,566.56 | Woodland Corner | 261.14 |
| | | Mothers & Toddlers | 261.14 |
| | | Youth Club | 261.14 |
| | | Luncheon Club | 250.00 |
| <u>Expenditure</u> | | | |
| Jubilee Celebrations | 1,689.56 | | |
| Overspend this year | 194.50 | | |
| <u>Assets</u> | | We hold First Response money of | 1,092.67 |
| Petty Cash | 247.41 | & Freemasons grant for Over 60s | 200.00 |
| Current Account | 2,664.88 | | |
| CCLA Deposit Account | <u>15,281.58</u> | Unencumbered assets are therefore | £17,731.20 |
| | 18,823.87 | | |

The Treasurer would like to thank Andrew Gowen for examining the year end accounts with his normal due diligence. The accounts were adopted (*proposed Iain Wright, seconded Colin Ramsell*) and will be lodged with the Charity Commissioners. Iain Wright thanked Bryan.

- ♦ **Election of Officers:** The following Officers were re-elected en bloc: **President** Ken Willingale, **Vice President** Bryan Smith, **Chairman** Alex Badman, **Vice Chairman** Jenny Smith, **Treasurer** Bryan Smith, **Secretary** Lorraine Brooks, **Executive** Tricia Hall, Colin Ramsell, Karen Elliott & Iain Wright, **Individuals** Claire Prescott, Vicki Sargent, **Legal Advisor** Katie Wright (*proposed Andrew Gowen, seconded Wendy Sparrow*).

It is hoped the vacancy for a Parish Council representative will be filled in May. Publicity will be covered by Lorraine Brooks and Hazel Gardiner has kindly agreed to distribute posters.

The VHMC requested a member of the Exec joins their committee - this will be on the agenda for next meeting.

- ♦ **Any Other Business:**

- ♦ **Village Christmas Tree:** Alex said the new fixing for the Christmas tree will be fitted when weather is better, in April/May.

- ♦ **Forget Me Not Notice Board:** Bryan will as Roy Norfolk if he would make a notice board.

- ♦ **CC Notice Board:** Alex will endeavour to contact Bryn Hurren to repair the door which has warped.

- ♦ **Correspondence:** None

- ♦ **Grants & Grant Request Procedure:** No grant applications had been received.

- ♦ **Community Times:** Lorraine Brooks thanked all who support the CT; proof readers, Colin and the distribution team, Bryan for managing payments, Pay Bray for village news, everyone who contributes copy and the advertisers. She thanked Graham Griffiths for hosting the village website and pointed out the website will be 10 years old in June.

Andrew reminded the meeting that a colour version of the CT, including back copies, can be viewed on the website. Claire suggested reminding readers of this on the cover.

- ♦ **Village Calendar:** Plans were in hand for the next calendar competition to be held on Bank Holiday Monday 6th May - deadline for entries is 27th April. It is hoped Executive members will enter and society members will enter photos of their activities. Photos of Wiston are also being encouraged. We are grateful to the 12 sponsors who are supporting the calendar.

- ♦ **Fundraiser for 2013:** Alex reminded members that the CC needs to raise funds in order to give out grants. A car boot sale was suggested but it was felt that one-off boot sales, which haven't gained a reputation, don't tend to make much profit and are hard work. A coffee morning was also suggested. This would need donations of raffle prizes, cakes, plants, etc.

He asked for further ideas, or for an event/activity someone (or a group) could put on for the CC.

Alex said the Dental & Cosmetics Surgery are planning an open day with taster sessions and a raffle etc and they have kindly agreed to donate profits to the CC. They have suggested we could buy more lights for the Christmas tree.

- ♦ **Forthcoming Events:**

Village Quiz - Friday 4th October: Rachel Hitchcock has kindly offered to lead on the quiz again, in the same way as last year's successful event. Village societies will again be asked to submit 10 questions.

Firework Night - Tuesday 5th November

Christmas Fayre - Sunday 1st December

- ♦ **AGM 2014:** Following a request by the VHMC it was agreed that the next AGM would be held on the same evening as the VHMC AGM at the Village Hall. Andrew Gowen agreed to cancel our booking for the Church Hall and book the Village Hall.

Action by:
Alex Badman
Bryan Smith

Alex Badman

Calendar
Team

Andrew Gowen

SOCIETY REPORTS

- ♦ **RBL:** Andrew Gowen said their 30 seat coach to the Combined Military Services Museum at Maldon is full but if anyone else wishes to go they will book a larger coach. They will visit Boxted Airfield in the summer.

- ♦ **Village Players:** Bryan Smith they are rehearsing for their spring production, Noel Coward's *Hay Fever*. Performances will be on 18th, 19th & 20th April.

- ♦ **HortSoc:** Trevor Smy said on 19th March Rob Sherriff will give a talk on *Dahlia Growing*, the Spring Show is on 23rd March, the AGM and Fun Quiz will be on 16th April. The coach outing on 11th June to Sissinghurst Castle Garden is full but there is a waiting list should anyone be unable to come.

- ♦ **Conservation Society:** Jill Badman said John Walker, will talk about his *Ten Years with timber Framed Buildings of Suffolk* at the AGM on 11th March. The results of the Nayland Test Pit Dig will be revealed by Dr Carezza Lewis on 29th April, Open Gardens will be on 9th June.

- ◆ **Nayland Fundraising Committee:** Jill Badman said they are organising a coffee Morning on 27th April in aid of the The Shelley Centre for Therapeutic Riding and a cabaret evening on 5th October for motor neurone and ovarian cancer organisations.
- ◆ **Women's Institute:** Wendy Sparrow said Mary Moriarty had given a very interesting talk about the village Players and brought along some beautiful costumes. For the branches 56th Anniversary members will be going out to lunch.
- ◆ **Choir:** Ian McKay said their they are rehearsing for Mozart's Requiem concert on 24th March on St James'. On 18th May they will be performing Verdi's Requiem at Bury Cathedral and in the Albert Hall on 7th July for a 'Come and Sing' performance of the Verdi Requiem.
- ◆ **Art Group:** Colin Ramsell said the group is at full capacity. At their last meeting their tutor, Vernon Lever, brought in an ancient bonsai tree for still life or to incorporate into a landscape scene.
- ◆ **Youth Club:** Maria Mason said they have about 20 teenagers regularly attending. Due to high uptake their Table Top Sale will now be held in the Village Hall on 16th March. A fund raising Snail Race evening is being planned on 27th April.
- ◆ **Woodland Corner:** Sue Clark said they are having a cake sale outside Kerridge's on 9th March and on 14th March a Boden Party at Woodland Corner. Sessions are available for the Easter Holiday Funshine Club and a Summer Holiday Club is being organised.
- ◆ **Village Hall:** Iain Wright said the committee continues to run the hall.
Bryan Smith, who attended their recent AGM, said attendance had been very low and asked for greater support.
- ◆ **Parish Council:** Mary George said Andora Carver is receiving her Babergh Achievement Award tonight. The Parish Assembly will be held on 22nd April - Jonathan Free, head of Communities at Babergh will be the speaker. They are looking for volunteers to take forward a project for new recreation equipment for the village.
- ◆ **Date of next meeting:** will be on **Wednesday 1st May 2013**, Church Hall, 8pm with Exec at 7.30pm.
Meetings for 2013/14: Wednesday 3rd July, Wednesday 4th September, Wednesday 30th October, Monday 13th January 2014 & Wednesday 5th March 2014 the AGM.

The meeting ended at 8.50pm