



TATTENHALL & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

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Notes of Community Pride Meeting Barbour Institute 12th November 2019

PRESENT

Pat Black Georgina Blackhurst Lesley Jones Anne McGrath Lisa
White Ann Wright (Clerk)

Apologies were noted from Esther Saddler-Williams.

Best Kept Village

It was agreed the Clerk would copy the certificates and display them on the Council Notice board and write officially to Andy Smith on behalf of the Parish Council to inform him of the 'Little Gem' Award. It was agreed the Clerk should investigate obtaining a plaque to explain the Les George Award.

Christmas Update

Trees & Lights

The trees will be delivered to and decorated at Anne McGraths.
Delivery date and time TBC, decorating to take place Saturday 30th November 10am.

Lights will need to be switched on between 4 and 4.30pm.
Trees and wreaths to be erected on Sunday 1st December from 9.30am.

It was noted that Bolesworth usually deliver the larger trees:

- 1 Olympus House
- 1 Sportsman's (Clerk to confirm – emailed 13/11/19)
- 2 Church
- 1 Millfield to be erected.

It was agreed the Clerk would check BE are still planning to do these works.

Lantern Parade

The lantern parade is scheduled for **Friday 6th December arrive for 5.30 start.**

Schedule & Route:

- 5.20pm – Meet at the Millfield
- 5.30pm – Father Christmas
- 5.50pm - Take path to Flacca Court
Sing 2 Carols.
- 6.00 – Head to Church across High Street up Church Bank.
- 6.30 – Church Bank & High Street to Barbour Institute.

It was agreed the Clerk should contact PCSO Hurst and PC Gardner to see if they can attend the event. (emailed 13/11/19)

Lisa White agreed to contact Alison to obtain hot chocolate and mince pies for the event.

Georgina Blackhurst to contact Ju Morton about backing Christmas cookies.

Georgina Blackhurst to make collection box for donations to the Air Ambulance.

Clerk to check on availability of polystyrene cups. (emailed GM 13/11/19)

Children's Parties

Ticket distribution as follows:

Tuesday 26th November – 4.30-6pm- Green Room, Barbour Institute – Georgina Blackhurst, Louise Gibson & Anne McGrath.

Friday 29th November – 3 – 4.30pm – Library- Georgina Blackhurst & Pat Black.

Clerk to obtain juice cartons and biscuits/chocolate tree decorations (x150).

Decorations to be collected for the Grotto

It was agreed to not proceed with the Carol Singing in one of the public houses, Pat Black agreed to mention to The Letters that they might like to hold a Carol Singing evening.

VE Day Meeting

Monday 18th November 7pm, Main Hall, Barbour Institute.

It was agreed that Pat Black would obtain a VE Day quiz to start the meeting.

Then those in attendance would discuss possible ideas for events for the VE Day weekend.

NEXT MEETING

Monday 18th November 2019
VE Day 2020 Planning Meeting

Ann Wright
13/11/2019

Notes of Community Pride VE Day 2020 Meeting Barbour Institute 18th November 2019

PRESENT

Pat Black Georgina Blackhurst Tiz Corcoran Jon Hurst (PCSO)
Terri Hull Mike Jones Yvonne Keeping Anne McGrath
George Richards Lisa White Esther Saddler Williams Tony Straw
Ann Wright (Clerk)

The Group had an informal discussion about ideas for the VE Day Bank Holiday weekend, 8th – 10th May 2020.

VE Day – Friday 8th May 2020

Nationwide

2.55 pm Last Post

3.00 pm Pipers

6.55 pm Cry for Peace

7.00 pm Bells ringing out for Peace.

Need to register – online V.E. day website

- Notify pubs to try to centre these (above) around the village pubs
- Exhibition of posters + sale of History books. Venue TBC (Community room at school or Village room at Church.)
- Art exhibition – depending on poster venue.
- Invite shops to decorate their windows. Prizes?

Friday at the Flacca

- Speak to Martin Cooke
- Check Friday nights at the Flacca rota to see who we need to speak to. Contact Val Meeks / Cathy Spraggs
- Hog Roast?

OR

Saturday Afternoon Party

Possible venues: School field, The Flacca (where Alison had her wedding Marquee. If the second cricket team were playing that day it would give us more flexibility) or PC section of Park. This may involve closing roads.

- Trestle tables/games/ sports/music.
- Bring own pic-nics and chairs etc.
- 'Letters Out' for drinks.
- Marque (weather)

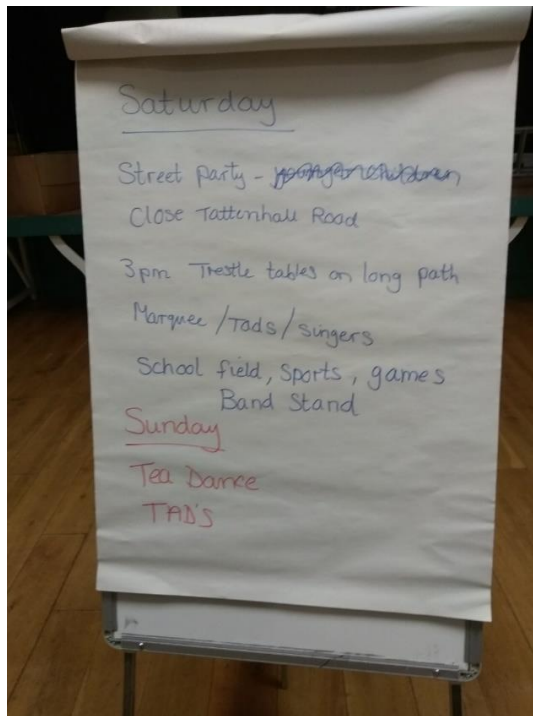
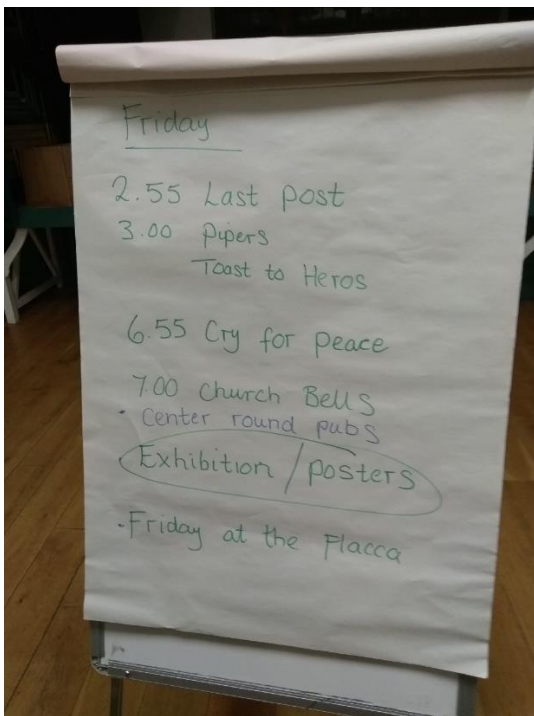
- TAD's (performing a song/Dance from Matilda)
- Band stand
- Tattenhall singers
- Hog roast

Sunday

- V.E. day Church service
- Tea Dance at the Barbour Institute – Afternoon.
- Cream teas/music
- TAD's to sing/dance/....

VE day Squirrels (British Legion Charity?)

(David Bish has offered to decorate a British Legion Squirrel)



NEXT MEETING

TBC.

Notes of Informal Meeting with CW&C Highways Barbour Institute 20th November 2019

PRESENT

Bolesworth Estate – Gordon Ronald¹, Carol Rouse², Tom Wallbank.

CW&C Highways – Stuart Bateman.

Handley & District Parish Council – Cllr. Hilary Wells³, Clerk Barbara Spragg⁴.

Tattenhall & District Parish Council – Cllr Iain Keeping, Clerk Ann Wright.

Rosemary Row Site Meeting

A site meeting was held with representatives of Bolesworth Estate, Highways and the Parish Council to review the pedestrian crossing point on Rosemary Row, it was noted a scheme can be drawn up for both Rosemary Row and Church Bank which can be funded by S106 Funding identified for footpaths associated with the retirement village development. It was noted that additional funding was likely to be required and it was suggested that this could be considered by the Parish Council, Bolesworth Estate and that the retirement village could also be asked to consider contributing.

Stuart Bateman confirmed he would draw up the schemes and obtain costings.

Flooding Meeting

It was noted that there are a number of roads in the area which are subject to flooding:

Rocky Lane

Frog Lane

2 locations on Chester Road have been subject to flooding but are currently clear.

Tattenhall Road over the Keysbrook

Road outside Old Rectory, Handley

Rocky Lane

It was noted that Highways have done considerable works on Rocky Lane clearing the drains and regular maintenance will continue to happen.

CW&C are introducing a scheme where gullies/drains are checked for the depth of detritus that accumulates and this will decide the schedule of how often they are cleared, it is expected that Rocky Lane will require regular clearing.

It was noted that CW&C will continue to have discussions with the tenant and landowner to resolve these issues, and that the first step might be to plant a grass margin in the field along the road edge.

It was noted that underplanting of maize would improve the situation but is very costly to the farmer, it was hoped in the future farmers might be able to apply for grants to fund this, currently no funding is available.

¹ Rosemary Row Site meeting only

² Rosemary Row Site meeting only

³ Flooding meeting only

⁴ Flooding meeting only

Frog Lane

It was noted that flooding near Russia Hall is currently being investigated and it is hoped this can be resolved as quickly as possible.

The flooding near the A41 junction is subject to a legal dispute and until that is resolved no action will be taken to clear gullies in that area as that would result in the Highways Dept breaching Environment Agency regulations. Representatives of Handley and District Parish Council offered the Highways Department support to resolve this ongoing issue.

It was noted that any flooding needs to be reported to CW&C who will close roads, it was noted that the road closure signs on Frog Lane that did not get removed following the flooding should have been removed and it was hoped this would not happen again in the future.

It was noted previously farmers could obtain grants for clearing ditches, this has now stopped and there are grants to not clear ditches. It was noted that Highways request that ditches are monitored and cleared before breaching, preferably annually.

Permanent Flood Warning Signs

The installation of signage warning that roads are liable to flood was discussed.

It was confirmed that CW&C Highways would not support installation of this signage at present, but it could be an option in the future if the flooding cannot be resolved.

It was noted that residents living on the impacted roads would be unlikely to support such signage due to the impact on the value of their properties.

The Chairman, Cllr. Keeping thanked all for attending the meeting.

Ann Wright
20/11/2019

Notes of Open Space Working Group Park Primary School Governors Meeting 20th November 2019

PRESENT

Parish Council - Iain Keeping, Cindy Parry, Ann Wright (Clerk).

Park Primary School – Andy Freeman, Lis Oates (Chairman of Governors).

It was confirmed that the meeting was to obtain an understanding from the Governors of their refusal to allow public access to the school playing field outside school hours.

It was confirmed that community access would be permitted for organised events including football teams etc.

The following reasons were given for the Governor's decision:

- Security of the school site, noting some school equipment is kept outside particularly for the reception class.
- Dog fouling and litter.
- Maintenance of the field, wear and tear on the playing field.
- Liability, who would be responsible for an accident or injury on the field if the school had provided public access.

It was noted that previously the school managed all these issues before the playing field was enclosed and that there were ways of addressing these concerns and permitting public access.

It was noted that CW&C Local Plan 2 refers to increased community use of school playing fields.

It was noted the playing field had been used by the Cheshire Hike and Year 5 and 6 football team. It was discussed what was required was an area for ad hoc sport use rather than organised pre-booked events. Governors expressed concern that permitted public access would not be possible as it could not be monitored.

It was thought that dogs would not be permitted on the playing field under the current CW&C dog control order, it was suggested that if this was signed and advertised that dog owners would not take dogs onto the field. Although it was admitted this was difficult to enforce.

It was noted that the community still feels the loss of the playing field and it was agreed that the Parish Council has a duty to seek access to open space.

It was stated that there had been a large amount of community support for fencing the field.

It was noted that the public didn't recognise the wear and tear that was done to the playfield when it was open and that it was the school which maintained it.

It was noted the school can charge for organised use of the field to cover the maintenance costs.

It was suggested that the Parish Council could consider contributing funding towards the maintenance of the playing field in return for public access.

It was noted that the dog fouling has to be in contact with the soil for 30 days for the spread of Toxocariasis. (Correction – NHS website states 10 to 21 days contact is required for spread of Toxocariasis)

It was suggested that the governors consider allowing access for a limited period during the summer holidays for a trial.

It was asked if the Governors would allow access to the playing field on Saturday the 9th May 2020 for the VE weekend celebrations.

It was confirmed the Governors would consider this request and the points raised at this meeting at its next meeting in January.

The Chairman thanked all for attending the meeting.

NEXT MEETING
TBC

Ann Wright 22/11/2019