

BARNBY VILLAGE COMMITTEE

BARNBY VILLAGE COMMITTEE MEETING 14th January 2025 at 7:00pm in the Village Hall

Attendees: Derick Parker, Vicky Appleby, Karan Jaram, Amanda Foster, Yvette Wellard, Gill Powell, Graham Bett, Helen Cowlan (Clerk)

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Clare and Marie. RESOLUTION – It was resolved to accept the apologies.

2. Contributions from members of the public

None.

3. Approval of minutes of the last meeting

The draft minutes of the meeting held on 15th October were reviewed with some amendments suggested. These will be made ready for approval at the next Committee meeting.

4. Formal welcome to new member(s)

A formal welcome as given to the newest member of the Committee, Amanda Foster.

5. Matters arising from the minutes – *including review of previous actions*

None.

6. Recent events – *review of recent events*

- i) Tabletop Sale (19th Oct) – £140.80 was raised and the event went well.
- ii) Fireworks event (2nd Nov) – a successful event raising £412.07 and potentially could have sold even more tickets.
- iii) Festive decorations (7th Dec) – raised £70; it was agreed that there is the potential to buy equipment to run the next one (to be reviewed nearer the time).

7. Events – *plan for / review of upcoming events:*

- i) Edwina Hayes (15th Feb) – Edwina requires payment of 80% of the ticket price (£15 for adults / £10 for children); maximum of 50 tickets to be sold, but no minimum ticket sales have been requested; will run bar and raffle, and provide snacks but no food; Amanda to organise lighting. Clare and Amanda to do bar. Karan will donate snacks. Derick ensure all matters relating to the bar are organised. Gill to source J20. Catch up meeting agreed for 6th Feb 7pm to finalise plans and details; Derick to organise tickets. Derick, Vicky and Gill will be the contact points for tickets. It was agreed that children are those aged 16 or under. Derick won't be here for actual event so Graham/Gill will lead.
- ii) Summer BBQ (5th July) – band has been booked – exact price to be clarified (approx. £600).
- iii) Patron Saint event – Gill proposed doing a St George's Day event/meal on 26th April; menu ideas to be discussed at the meeting in February and will be brought to the next Committee meeting.

Additionally, it was noted that the children's Christmas party went well.

8. New Proposals – *review any new suggestions*

Disco / music night – later in year – date tbc / poss Oct

Live & Local – provides opportunities for plays not just music/singers

Ladies lunch – 12th March, ticket price £10, menu to be agreed

Easter Egg Hunt – 19th April – followed by tea and cake in Hall

Horticultural Show – 6th Sept - 40th event

Village lunch – Sept – date tbc with Marie

Kids event – could subsidise / fund – ideas and potential dates to be brought to the next meeting

Village calendar – create and sell using residents' photos – ideas to be discussed further at a future meeting

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The Clerk will ensure the Caretaker is kept informed of dates.

9. **Parish Council updates – overview of key points of interest**

An overview of discussion points was given.

It was suggested that the old card tables could be donated to the Church – Clerk to add to the agenda for the next PC meeting.

Concerns were raised about traffic using the lane / land near the sewage works as it isn't designed to take the current amount / speed, and there could be a safety risk. Graham will make enquiries locally and the Clerk will add it to the agenda for the next PC meeting to review the situation.

10. **Finances – review current position and budget for 2025-26**

An overview of the current balances and year to date spend was given. Total funds in the account stand at £6190.30 (as at 7th Jan), with an expected further £1694.85 due in outgoings before the end of the financial year. Allowing, also, for ringfenced grant/donation monies, this means there is currently £4449.85 in the account. Consideration would need to be given to how much to hold, how much to spend on projects etc in the future. In terms of budget, costs are expected to be broadly in line with expectations although some prices have increased. Estimates for the next financial year of 2025/26 mean that the Hall will need to have at least £3000 (net) income from events and hire charges to cover costs. It was advised that the fire alarm system was under review and may need to be replaced as an additional expense. The new electrical servicing report (EICR), which is done every 5 years, may also highlight the need for works.

Additionally, the installation of a smart meter for electricity will help to identify costs more specifically for events if needed, and will also improve accuracy of billing. SSE have reviewed the account, generated refunds, and reissued statements; however, the Clerk is reviewing with some caution until the new system is proven accurate. As such the figures showing year to date spend against budget for this financial year show with, and without, electrical invoices / payments / refunds.

11. **Matters of note – additional information to be aware of**

Fire alarm – the beeping remains an issue and is being looked into asap.

Dishwasher – an issue with dishwasher / water quality has been resolved.

Stock check – it was suggested that a stock check should be organised – date tbc.

12. **Date of Next Meeting – 17th March 7pm.**

Meeting ended 20.40

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