**Delph Community Association Executive Committee**

**Minutes of the meeting held on 23rd May 2017**

**Present:** Phillida Shipp (PS), Sue Lund (SL), Gill Clark (GC), Graham Griffiths (GG), Keith Begley (KB), Pat Howard (PH), Geoff Bayley (GB), Janet Curwell (JKC)

**Apologies:** Emily Hughes (EH)

**Minutes of the meeting held on 205th April 2017** were accepted as correct.

**Matters arising:**

**Methodist Car Park Light (JKC)**

The car park light is now working and the invoice paid. JKC to try to establish who supplies electricity to it so will maintain it in future.

**Meeting with officer responsible for gully cleaning (PS)**

**JKC** has contacted Lisa MacDonald in Uppermill Council and she will arrange for a member of the Grids and Gullies team to come and speak to us.

**Library Waste Paper**

The bin for the theatre was not outside so it was not possible to put the paper in it. When there is paper to be collected contact **(KB)** and he will put it in the theatre bin.

**Article for Saddleworth Monthly (KB)**

In progress

**Neighbourhood Plan (PS)**

PS has been approached and agreed that we would be involved

**Agenda**

1. **Treasurers Report (MC)**

Mike unable to attend the meeting

1. **Chapel Gardens update (KB)**

As winter is now past **KB** is to request that gardener Danny gets grass cut and general tidy up of the garden especially with the Fete coming up. Grave curbs have been removed but the surface still needs levelling so the grass can grow over making it easier to maintain.

There was a complaint that he cut down the snowdrops too soon before the tops had time to die back.

**KB** had updated and reprinted the information sheet about the Chapel Garden **JKC** to organise it to be laminated to preserve the pages from damp.

1. **Chapel Garden Fete (PH)**

Event 10thJune. **PH** concerned that no tickets for the afternoon teas seem to have been sold.

Volunteers to help with the children’s games are needed.

**KB** has can borrow a large gazebo which will cover the band should it rain and will also ask Bob Rodgers for use of the chairs.

**PH** has enough volunteers for the kitchen.

**JKC** to email the community list asking for helpers on the day.

1. **Fund Raising (SL)**

Scarecrow Trail – Theme agree as Musicals film and stage. Event 26th May to 9th June. **SL** is still awaiting the programs they should be ready today. SL to give EH a guide so she can put information on Facebook.

Coop Community Support Fund – DCA Chapel Garden has been chosen for a further 6 months as the beneficiary of this scheme.

Mayors appeal. We need to make a request for funding from this source It is best to have a specific project in mind, suggest plants for Chapel Gardens, to ask for £250.**JKC**

1. **Whit Friday Sports**

These will take place between 2-3pm on Friday 9th June.

Organised by Janet and Maurice Reed with help from John and Maxine.

**GH** has some stickers

**PS** will inform the school

1. **Report from Parish Council (GG)**

**GB** Reported on a meeting of the Transport sub-committee highways officer where the poor state of repair of the roads was raised particularly Millgate and Stoneswood. They were in fact repaired the next week.

The gully at the junction of the Sound and Oldham Road still floods in heavy rain and it is felt that the drain may not go anywhere.

A one way sign was requested for the bridge in Delph however the problem of the electricity supply was raised.

The reinstatement of the traffic mirror opposite the library was also requested however the Council are reluctant and have said it is illegal which it is not.

A complaint was made regarding the road works on Denshaw Road/Lodge Lane the bus service did not come through Delph so they obviously knew but no information was given to the villagers.

1. **Report from Communities Meeting (GG)**

The Satellite Unit continues to plod along. A caretaker has been appointed. 1st AGM was 2nd May.

1. **Beautiful Delph(JKC/SL)**

The hanging basket event went very well pictures have been posted on Facebook.

**JKC** to write to Jo with thanks.

The next village Clean Up dates are attached with the minutes.

1. **Patient Participation Group (PPG)**

**PS** has contacted Rod Lawson a Delpher who is on the above Group re the lack of use of the new Delph Clinic. Also other groups including MIND have organised meetings but there has been no publicity. He suggested that she write to him on behalf of DCA committee he will raise the issue at a future meeting.

**AOB**

**Donation**

Jenny Begley has raised £70 for the Chapel Garden by doing the Balmoral Run. We would like her to use the money to buy plants for the garden. **JKC** to write to thanks her.

**Banner**

**SL** to organise a banner for the Chapel Garden Fete to hang at the entrance.

**Bird Boxes for Chapel Gardens (JKC)**

**JKC** suggested a Nature morning in the Chapel Garden for children later in the year.

**Date and time of next Meetings**

DCA Executive Committee Meeting 19thJune 2017 9.30am Delph Library

DCA General Meeting 18th July 2017 Bar Lounge Millgate Arts Centre

DCA Executive Committee Meeting 4th September 2017 10.30am Delph Library