

MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

4pm Monday 18th October 2021

Main Hall, Old School Building, Main Street, Burton Joyce

Present: Cllrs Y Greenfield (C) J Richardson (VC) R Fife T Hazard and L King

In Attendance: J Sherrin (Clerk) D List (Grounds & Amenities Manager) and J Devonport (BJ Climate Change Group)

MINUTES

CE21/351 **Apologies for absence** Cllr J Johnson (Holiday)

CE21/352 **Declaration of Councillors' interests for items on the agenda** - None

CE21/353 **Minutes of the previous meeting** on September 13th 2021 approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

CE21/354 **Climate Change Group** – J Devonport provided an update. Nottinghamshire Bat Group had visited The Grove and The Cemetery for an assessment. The bat monitor had detected 6-8 species of bat (of the 12 that are in Notts) so a good variety are present. They advised that the best location for bat boxes was at The Grove, with its more continuous hedge and tree lines and some wildflower meadow. It was proposed that the wildflower meadow be naturally expanded to encourage insects for the bats and “thrust cuts” in the beech tree would encourage more bats. Recommended installing 12 boxes in clusters of 3. The Climate Group has been in conversation with GBC regarding the launch of the Climate Action Group. Will advise the Parish Council of the date of the launch to enable a representative to attend. A visit to Severn Trent Water is taking place on 23rd October to learn about their renewable energy and climate change commitments. A sub-group meeting to review the Parish Council’s Climate Change & Biodiversity Plan to be organised in the new year. J Devonport to organise meeting to explore calculations of carbon footprints. J Sherrin to contact Southwell TC regarding their Climate Change plans.

J Devonport and D List left at this point

CE21/355 **Christmas Fair** – J Savage, Deputy Clerk has made significant progress in booking stall holders and entertainment for the Christmas Light switch-on. D List organising lights and J Sherrin road closure, decoration permissions etc. New lights needed for co-op tree to complete replacement programme started last year. J Sherrin to seek grant from GBC. Alternatives to arrival of Father Christmas on Harley bikes being explored by sub-group. J Savage to organise sub-group meeting.

CE21/356 **Picnic in the Park** – Cllr Richardson reported on Picnic in the Park, stating that it had been a very successful, well attended event, with thanks to all concerned. Proposed that more similar community events should be organised during the course of the year. Cllr Richardson was also thanked for his contribution to the day.

- CE21/357** **Queen’s Jubilee 2022** – Clock & Bell – J Sherrin to investigate Heritage Lottery Fund for Clock restoration. Queen’s Green Canopy – Cllr Greenfield noted that the Woodland Trust provides tree and hedge whips for this project. D List to suggest areas of Parish Council land suitable for tree or hedge planting.
- CE21/358** **Magazine Deliveries** – J Sherrin to set up review meeting with S Swann and Councillors L King and J Richardson.
- CE21/359** **Live and Local** – Cllr Richardson has taken over organisation of Live & Local events (previously Village Ventures). To look into choice of acts on-line. Holding an event in March to be explored.
- CE21/360** **Community Market** – Agreed to propose to Full Council that the Parish Council should have a presence at the Community Market each month, with 2 representative Councillors at each. J Sherrin to contact organiser for availability and prices. Suggested to start in January.
- CE21/361** **Emergency Plan and Flood Plan** – Cllr Richardson reported that a training session for flood wardens took place on 6th October represented by a cross-section of agencies (Environment Agency, Fire & Rescue, County Council...) at which there were 16 participants, including himself. Noted that Road Closure training can be provided to volunteers through the Flood Warden Scheme. J Sherrin advised a request has been made by Cllr M Adams (NCC) to house the flood resilience store at the Old School Building and provide insurance cover for volunteers– to be considered by F&GP Committee.
- CE21/362** **Highways and transport** – Village Centre Development – Meeting to be requested with Cllr Adams to ensure past work on this initiative is included in future developments – Cllrs King, Hazard and Greenfield to attend. Rail Services – Cllr King reported that a Campaign Group for improved rail services involving a number of community groups has been established. Would like to continue in collaboration with MP Tom Randall, Trent Valley Councillors and East Midlands Railway. Proposal to Full Council for BJPC to be a formal representative at the Group. Cllr King has been in conversation with British Transport Police who are keen publicise importance of rail safety and join the Parish Council at a stand in the Community Market. Noted that request to donate £50 towards Friends of Lowdham and Burton Joyce Stations to support “Routes of Remembrance” school project approved via email due to the timing of the project.
- CE21/363** **Patient Participation Group** – The Group has been on hold for 2 years. J Sherrin to advise Group that Cllr King will remain as the representative.
- CE21/364** **Liaison with Burton Joyce Primary School** – No updates
- CE21/365** **Village Society** – The AGM is to take place on Friday 22nd October with speakers, including Cllr King, to give presentations regarding the development of the rail service both past and present in Burton Joyce. Cllr Fife submitted revised request for large, glazed noticeboard to be sited in front of old classroom at OSB site. Principle supported by those present, but location to be decided, depending on demolition of old class room.
- CE21/366** **Information update** – Nothing further to report
- CE21/367** **Date of next meeting** - Monday 29th November at 3:30pm

Signed: _____
Chair of Community Engagement Committee

Date: _____