

## MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at 7:00pm**

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

**Present:** Cllrs Y Greenfield (C), H Chadbourne-Doyle & G Hadjigeorgiou

**In Attendance:** J Savage (Deputy Clerk), R Hickling, J Hughes & Jane Terry (BJ Open Gardens), D Greene (CAG) & K Taylor (Community Market)

### MINUTES

- CE23/586**      **Apologies for absence** - Cllr L King (Delayed), J Johnson (Previous engagement), Jane Jephson (Previous engagement), J Smith & G Newman (Own meeting)
- CE23/587**      **Declaration of Councillors' interests for items on the agenda** - Cllr H Chadbourne-Doyle: Booking Secretary of Village Hall
- CE23/588**      **To approve the minutes of the previous meeting** - Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2023 approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.
- CE23/589**      **Live and Local** - Dates for Spring 2024 to be considered. Hazel Chadbourne-Doyle (Village Hall Booking secretary) to advise of Village Hall availability in Spring 2024. Live & Local to be contacted when availability is known.
- CE23/590**      **Burton Joyce Open Gardens** - R Hickling reviewed the event, held on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July. Very well organised, supported & successful. Total c£4,400.00 raised, with donations of c£2,200 each for the Community Gardens at the Old School Building grounds and The Wolfpack Project. Next event June 2025, with discussions linking up with charities offering volunteers. Mini gardens to be promoted with BJ school, Rainbows, and other groups.
- CE23/591**      **The Magazine** - The next edition is due end of July.
- CE23/592**      **Climate Action Group** - Update: On 20th June 2023 a meeting at the Old School Building to discuss 'Planting wildflowers in and around the village, with green spaces to be identified which may be converted to wildflower growing areas'. Planting at the end of September/start of October 2023. Areas identified:
- i. Outside of Rhubarbs, up to the pedestrian crossing. Planting in small blocks – 'block system' keeps paths nearer and accessible, with 5/6 blocks of plants.
  - ii. 'Diana' beds outside of The Cross Keys Pub – Wildflower Mix annually (with rosemary & lavender)
  - iii. Grass area out the library 'crop circle' (rosemary & lavender)
  - iv. Pear Tree planters outside the dentist under the pear tree - suggestions of plants to be made September 2023.
  - v. Planters in Roberts Recreation Ground - suggestions to be discussed September 2023.
- £500.00 be made available from both Cllr Smith and Adams, along with hosting of 'Community Planting days'.  
A612 - must be clear for traffic safety.  
All verges being investigated by Highways and to include Padleys Lane Left hand verges from Mill Side and past (up to Carlton Le Willows) to be investigated for visual & safety. Cllr Smith to provide an update.
- CE23/593**      **Village Society** - No update

- CE23/594** **Liaison with Burton Joyce Primary School** - Cllr G Hadjigeorgiou provided update: The Summer Fair was successful, raising over £3,000 to be used to replace play equipment. The PTA are low on volunteers. School has a new lunch menu supplier. PTA are liaising with BJ Parish Council regarding the Christmas light switch-on and their Christmas Fair.
- CE23/595** **Highways and transport**- Email update from Cllr L King: EMR service - possible passenger survey at Lowdham Station week commencing 24 July, to determine how many Burton Joyce originating people there may be. Crossings: Network Rail have requested an urgent meeting re crossings behaviour and safety, with a plea to all users to cross sensibly and sympathetically towards the train drivers.
- CE23/596** **Patient Participation Group** - Update: A meeting held with the PPG and Assura. Subsequent meeting planned for August, date to be confirmed.
- CE23/597** **Communications Strategy** - Update: Development of website is almost complete with a launch date in August 2023. The new site will have diary dates for the Parish Council meetings, events, and Community dates.
- CE23/598** **The Community Market** - Update: The Parish Council to attend every other month, with the next date to be confirmed (after the Summer).  
K Taylor provided an update: The Wheatsheaf Inn being unavailable for parking, poor weather and the school summer fair taking place on the same day had a detrimental impact, along with low footfall, at the July's market. Volunteers are required for setting-up/taking down and in the kitchen.  
The request for car parking of stall holders at OSB car park was refused. The Parish Council do not want to set a precedence of using the OSB site for car parking. Insurance and liability issues were also discussed.
- CE23/599** **Request for Farmers Market** - Update: The request to hold Farmers Market was met with no objections from the Parish Council, agreed as a good idea and supported by those Councillors present. It was agreed to meet with the organiser to discuss the finer details i.e. dates, other lost standing existing events taking place, insurance, and logistics. Concerns were raised by a member of the public over the proposed date/s of the market, the type of products sold, the impact on the Community Market, and disposable income available to spend at the 2 markets.
- CE23/600** **Village Hall** - Update: Inventory of items taking place.
- CE23/601** **Volunteering Support** - Update: Volunteering banner to be placed in the village to remind residents the importance of volunteering with a view to building up a bank of support and helpers.
- CE23/602** **Information update** - Burton Joyce Community Band are planning a Remembrance concert on Saturday 11th November. Their details, as requested, have been passed to the Scouts and other group in the village who may want to be involved. Village Hall is booked. Ideas to include music, readings, short stories/memories.  
Cllr L King would also like to consider how to support local businesses, to be added to the agenda in the Autumn 2023.  
It was noted Blue Wolf computer shop has closed.
- CE23/603** **Date of next meeting** - Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Meeting closed 8:30pm

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chair of Community Engagement Committee

Date: \_\_\_\_\_