

Minutes of Bolsterstone Community Group Management Committee Meeting.
Tuesday 11 November 2014, Castle Inn

1. Attendance

Cllr Paul Jagger, Bryan Howard, Anthea Peers, Tony Peers, Chris Prescott, Alan Rodgers, Cheryl Rodgers, Phillip Verhamme, John Williams.

2. Apologies

DK has retired from the committee. TP will send thank you letter and flowers.
(ACTION TP)

3. Minutes of last meeting

Agreed

4. Matters arising

TP had found no fuel in the allotment shed. AP has prepared receipts for Christmas Fayre stall holders. TP's bid for a Bridge Shop grant for BCG's village bedding plants in 2015 has been successful and he has written a thank you letter to the Bridge Shop. CR will discuss plant orders/vouchers with everyone involved in planting village troughs and baskets. **(ACTION CR)**

5. Additional Item

An unsigned paper received with Debs Holmes' (Dransfield's) name and address at the top, was discussed. It was agreed to accept Cllr Paul Jagger's offer to convene a small meeting through Debs to try to address concerns. The Committee thanked Paul for his offer. **(ACTION PJ)** TP would convey the committee's response, based on everyone's comments expressed at tonight's meeting. It was agreed to respond within the 14 days requested but delay the response until after the Xmas Fayre **(ACTION TP)**

6. Money Matters

AP presented the financial update on BCG's spending and activities in the village so far in 2014. All BCG's funds and time have been spent on the maintenance and upkeep of the village. The SCC grant had been used towards pointing the Village Hall flags and the Bridge Shop grant used to pay for the rest of the pointing work and village plants for 2015.

7. Planning and Highways

No new matters were raised

8. Reports from Groups

- (a) Christmas Fayre - Minutes had been circulated and jobs list confirmed by all.
- (b) Stocksbridge Town Council - £10,000 has been granted to 4SLC for capital expenditure on the small pool. SCC is withdrawing the gritting of some roads so more grit bins have been provided and some have been re-sited.
- (c) St Mary's Church - This week over 1000 people have gone through the church doors. Parking in the village continues to be problematic, especially when there are large functions such as weddings and funerals. Carols in the Square will take place in December and Rev Hilda Isaacson will become Bolsterstone's "Priest in Charge". JW will confirm dates with TP and villagers and TP will add info to next newsletter.
(ACTION JW/TP)

- (d) BAHG - The craft fair allowed 10 crafters to demonstrate and discuss their work. Watson House's truck barn has been surveyed. Windhill Farm has an interesting cruck barn. BAHG will have a stand in the Church at BCG's Christmas Fayre.
- (e) Walkers are Welcome - Stockbridge and Bradfield WaW are going from strength to strength. Stockbridge website is impressive and the Star newspaper wants to feature some of the walks.
- (f) Castle Inn - The pub is back on Trust Inns' website for lease. Meanwhile the current landlord is doing his best to keep open and to answer people's questions.
- (g) Village Hall Trust - The Village Hall is busy and most weekends booked. A grant of almost £10,000 has been acquired to insulate and redecorate. Carol's phone no. should be put on the website. **(ACTION TP)**.
- (h) In Bloom - CR will discuss Green's vouchers and plant requirements with those individuals who plant up troughs and baskets. **(ACTION CR)**

9. Correspondence

TP had communicated with various individuals and groups on BCG members' behalf.

- The Don Network re flood defences
- The Valley React Project,
- The Environmental Agency re DK's concerns about knotweed
- The Broomhead Estate re MB's concerns about the Rugby Club use of the Porter's Lodge and Walders Lane.

10. Meetings

Proposed meeting schedule for 2015, starting at 7.00pm, in the Castle Inn if available.

Wed 7 Jan

Tues 17 March

Tues 31 March (AGM in Village Hall)

Tues 23 June

Tues 6 October

11. Forthcoming BCG Events

- (a) Christmas Fayre, Saturday 22 Nov 2014, 10.00am to 4.00pm
- (b) Wreath Making Evening, Tuesday 9 December 2014, 7.00pm to 8.30pm
- (c) AGM Tues 31 March 2015 , 7.00pm to 8.00pm
- (d) No work days planned for Winter months

12. AOB

Draft newsletter and Look Local Article were circulated

13. Date of Next Meeting

Wed 7 Jan (Castle Inn)

