

**YARNFIELD AND COLD MEECE PARISH COUNCIL**

**Community Action Group Committee**

**Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2022 at 7.30pm in Yarnfield Village Hall.**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Stella Hughes (chair), Mrs Margaret Broader, Mrs Tina Collins, Mr Stan Collins, Mr John Smee, Mrs Linda Eyre, Councillor Frank Cromey.

**CAG 22-26 APOLOGIES:** Ms Karen Chapman

**CAG 22-27 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None

**CAG 22-28** Minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2022 were approved and duly signed: proposed by Mrs Tina Collins; seconded by Mr John Smee and Councillor Frank Cromey.

**Defibrillators**

**CAG 22-29** A further delay to the defibrillator has been unavoidable. Instructions from AED did not include an earth. This will involve an additional cost which the Parish Council will meet.

**Post meeting note.** The defibrillator is now installed. Members of CAG were invited to attend a brief meeting of all concerned. Councillor Hughes was unable to attend as she was away on holiday.

**CAG22-30** Councillor Hughes had been in touch with a manager at West Midlands Ambulance Service to seek his guidance with regard to installation of a defibrillator in an insulated jacket rather than a heated cabinet. He had not come across this system and was not convinced that this would be satisfactory. WMAS does not have a good relationship with CHT.

**CAG 22-31** He confirmed that the uni-pad was unsuitable for the very obese.

**CAG 22-32** An alternative would be to use slightly cheaper stat-pads which are like conventional pads.

**CAG 22-33** Defibrillators manufactured abroad had to meet strict import controls including a certificate of compliance from the Medical Devices Agency.

**CAG 22-34** The only device he would not recommend was produced by Mediana, an unusual defibrillator for which pads were difficult to obtain.

**CAG 22-36** If an incident came to court the manager felt that limited funds would be considered mitigating circumstances for the purchase of the CHT defibrillator.

**CAG 22-37** The WMAS manager would contact both Eccleshall and Stone First Responders with regard to training. As no reply has been received Councillor Hughes contacted Eccleshall First Responders but received no reply and Mr

Collins contacted Stone First Responders. Unfortunately the reply from Stone was incomprehensible.

**CAG 22-38** Biffa had confirmed that they would donate £500 towards the cost of a defibrillator. Councillor Hughes had written to thank Biffa for their generous donation and suggested that we consider approaching other businesses in the parish. Details had been provided and the cheque was awaited.

**CAG 22-39** Councillor Hughes had overlooked contacting Major (R) Jim Salisbury to ensure that the guards' room is fully informed of any emergency procedure regarding use of the camp defibrillator. She would ensure that this was done.

**CAG 22-40** **The Committee will need to consider how to raise additional funds. One suggestion is to start local fund-raising in the community.**

### **Spring Clean and Litter Picking**

**CAG 22-41** John Fraser had produced 30 posters which Councillor Hughes had displayed around the village. Unfortunately helpers from Drake Hall were unable to take part as their supervisor had left. It was felt it was very important to try to maintain this relationship.

**CAG 22-42** Jobs done included: tidying and clearing litter from the "telegraph pole" walk; washing the bus shelter; washing play equipment and tables; washing benches and bollards; cleaning out the stream; weeding the garden adjacent to High Winds and litter picking.

**CAG 22-43** The Committee might wish to reconsider provision for children in the light of this for the Autumn Clean Up.

### **Strawberry Tea Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration**

**CAG 22-44** The menu had been agreed.

**CAG 22-45** Hilary Pemberton and Rachel Cooper had agreed to help. Councillor Cromey would enquire if his wife would be willing to help in some way. Councillor Hughes had costed the price of food and flowers needed for the event.

**CAG 22-46** Councillor Hughes had noted an article in "The Sunday Times" that indicated it was possible to hold an incidental raffle on this occasion. She had discussed this with the Parish Clerk who had done further research to establish that we could hold a raffle.

**CAG22-47** **It was resolved that we would hold a raffle and a number of committee members offered to supply prizes.**

**CAG 22-48** **It was resolved that proceeds from the raffle would go to local charities: Douglas Macmillan and Donna Louise Trust. Takings could be augmented by sale of cake and flowers at the end of the afternoon.**

**CAG 22-48** It was resolved to hold an additional ad-hoc meeting at Springfield Cottage to ensure everything was in place for the event.

**CAG 22-49** The Parish Clerk would arrange for advertising the event and the printing of tickets.

#### Improvements to the appearance of the village

**CAG 22-50** Councillor Hughes would check that the Parish Clerk had contacted Barratts and Highways with regard to daffodil planting.

**CAG 22-51** The raised bed at High Winds had been prepared but might need additional weeding before planting wild flower seeds.

**CAG 22-52** The wild flower mix (pixie) was ordered at a cost of £49.50.

**CAG 22.53** It was resolved that Mrs Linda Eyre would help Councillor Hughes to tidy the bed on the Green and the Furlong.

**CAG 22.54** It was resolved that Councillor Hughes could spend between £100 and £150 on summer bedding and compost. Councillor Hughes would endeavour to plant these in time for the Jubilee Celebrations.

**CAG 22-55** With a newspaper stand displayed outside the shop it appeared that there would not be space for a flower display.

**It was resolved that Councillor Hughes should approach the owner of the shop with regard to this matter.**

#### Friday Morning Coffee Club

**CAG 22-56** The coffee club was doing well.

#### Training Session

**CAG 22-57** A brief discussion was held regarding the Safeguarding information from the training session. Committee members were reminded that any concerns with regard to safe-guarding issues should be reported to Sally Parkin.

**CAG22-58** **Date of next meeting; 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY, AT 7.30, IN YARNFIELD VILLAGE HALL.**

#### Remaining Dates of CAG Meetings for 2022-2023

18<sup>th</sup> October, 2022.

17<sup>th</sup> January, 2023.

18<sup>th</sup> April, 2023.

Proposed by L. Fyfe  
Seconded by S. Collins

S. Hughes.