

Denby Village Conservation Group

Draft Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on the 2nd of June 2018 at 11 am in the George Inn

In Attendance

Ken Bellamy (Chair), Dean Wyatt, Martin Watts, Lynn Watts, George Parsisson, Anne Middleton, June Cook, Vera Bell, Martin Conlon, John Cook, David Cook, Christine Figg, Paul Edwards, David Raistrick, Jane Raistrick, Shelagh Uden, Chris Ruddleskin, Sylvia Steel and Diane Brown (Secretary.)

Agenda

43.18 Apologies

Were received, from Paul Jaworski, Paul Clarke, Neil Howard, Jan Howard and Joyce Jones.

44.18 Minutes from the last Meeting and Matters Arising.

It was agreed that the minutes of the last meeting held on the 31st of March were an accurate record of the matters discussed except for the correction of a typo raised by Anne.

45.18 Denby Dash

Anne updated the meeting, we need some flyers in readiness to publicise the Dash during the Open Gardens Event. She has contacted the volunteers who kindly helped last year and at the moment we need 20 more so everyone ask their friends and families to help us! There will be a recce of the route on the 14th of August with the Denby Dale Runners.

46.18 Friends of the Church Open Gardens Event

Vera updated the meeting it is all systems go; we have had more people offering to show their gardens. June and Christine are organising the refreshments at the church and the Denby Ladies as well as our members are to supply baked goods. The final map of the gardens will be completed shortly and will be on all local websites. Vera asked for volunteers to help with the signage boards and Diane and Ken offered to help.

At this point our new web site was raised with everyone saying that it looked great and thanks to Peter Middleton.

47.18 Planning Issues

David R updated the meeting, 120 Denby Lane has been approved, and 1 Smithy Hill is still undecided and a new application at 170 Denby Lane.

48.18 Work Plan

Ken distributed the updated work plan for 2018 with all names and allotted tasks as agreed at our last meeting. Chris R offered to help with any rubbing down of benches he sanded them down last year and so may only need a little rubbing down prior to staining.

Whilst Dean is away the George Inn garden will be added to the list and Martin C to help if needed.

It was agreed that our next litter pick will also be a grubbing session to ensure that the village looks good for the Open Gardens Event. It was also agreed that we would ask for more volunteers on the Facebook page.

49.18 Denby Delf

Martin W updated the meeting regarding the subcommittee and the progress made. There was a successful meeting with the Men's Shed Project who have agreed to make the boards and to produce costings. It will be great to use local crafts people; we are hoping that the boards are in place for the Dash.

At the moment the Delf is looking beautiful and Martin encouraged everyone to go to look at the wild flower meadow. There will be an arranged walk on the evening of the 20th of June at 7pm. There will be a quick meeting of the Denby Delf sub group after the main meeting closes.

50.18 Other on-going matters

- The Men’s Shed Project has also agreed to make a new notice board for Lower Denby. The old one should be taken down as soon as possible.
- Bench for Win, we have £296 towards the cost of this which will be around £650. Christine and Diane are to liaise with Win’s family on this.
- It was agreed that flags could be an option to disguise the garages during the Dash and these could be reused each year. We would need to liaise with the garage users.
- It was agreed that the deadline for the photo competition will be Friday the 13th of July. Dean is to replace Pat Smith as judge as Pat would like to enter this year.
- The Parish Council is still to formally agree to a new dog poo dispenser by the school. John C will keep us updated on this in his capacity as a parish councillor.

51.18 Any Other Business

Items discussed included

- Men’s Shed Project has an open day on the 9th of June 10 till 4.
- Dave W said that there is a safe and health week at the school with events at Denby Delf and Margaret Wood. Last year the school achieved the Bronze Eco Award and is now progressing to silver.
- There is another walk on the 19th of June meeting at 6.30 in the car park at Langsett.
- Peak Outdoors Festival last week of June- see the leaflets for more information
- June asked about when the grass would be cut on the Fairfield grass circle, Ken to find out.
- Christine said the brambles at the bus stop on Falledge want cutting back. George and Ken agreed to look at this.
- The bank lane cobbles need the leaves taking up it was agreed that we could purchase a leaf blower.
- The anti-social off road motor bikers have been back on the field on Denby Lane, some action needs to be taken.
- The litter pick and grubbing session will be the 10th of June at 10.

52.18 Date of the Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be Saturday the 7th July at 11 am in the George Inn.

Ken thanked everyone for their attendance.

The meeting closed at 11.40 am.

Signed by the Chair..... Date