

Denby Village Conservation Group

Draft Minutes of the Meeting held on the 5th of December 2016 at 11 am in the George Inn

In Attendance

Ken Bellamy (Chair), Dean Wyatt, Christine Figg, Jane Raistrick, David Raistrick, Shelagh Uden, John Wiltshire, Joan Inman, Brian Inman, Paul Clarke, George Parsission, Vera Bell and Diane Brown (Secretary.)

Agenda

102.16 Apologies

Were received from June Cook, Anne Middleton, Paul Jaworski, Jan Howard, Neil Howard, Martin Watts, Lynne Watts, Joyce Jones, Dave Wilde and Paul Jones.

103.16 Minutes from the last Meeting

It was agreed that the minutes of the last meeting held on the 5th of November were an accurate record of the matters discussed.

104.16 Transport links for Denby

Owing to illness Paul Jones was unable to attend, he will hopefully attend a future meeting. Diane updated the group regarding the conversation she had with him and it agreed that the group would support any initiative which gave public transport links to Penistone.

105.16 Denby Village Lifeline

Details of this service will be included in the next George Inn Newsletter. The number to be used for the life line is 599899.

106.16 Denby Village History Board

Our group has been granted £1,500 from the Parish Council. We are very grateful to the Parish Council for their support and generosity. David updated the group as to the progress being made for this project to be completed by spring 2017.

107.16 Finance Issues

Dean updated the group as to our financial position and there is £2,186.83 in the bank.

108.16 Fundraising Ideas 2017- Christmas cards and calendar

It was agreed that it would be an excellent idea to have both a calendar and Christmas cards locally produced for sale at the Dash. As suggested by Pat Smith the calendar will be a photographic competition based on the County File annual calendar. The best photo will be on the front cover of the calendar and the taker will receive a prize. The competition will be open to everyone with the exceptions of Pat, Ken and another volunteer from our group who will form the judging panel. The photos for the calendar and cards need to be of Denby and the surrounding area. Diane is to launch the competition via the Facebook page. The deadline for the photos will be the 1st of July and Paul will set up an email address for the photos to be sent to.

109.16 Planning Issues.

The second consultation process has started for the Kirklees Local Plan; David outlined the process for this which differs from the original consultation. The rejected sites remain rejected and it was agreed that David would formalise a response from the Group as a whole. There are currently two other planning applications within the village which were discussed and the group did not have any comment to make as long as planning rules were followed.

110.16. Denby Dash Christmas Get together in the George

It was agreed that we would have this event in January as we after running out of time before Christmas.

111.16 Winter Jobs around the Village

- Work has started on refurbishing the old litter bins.
- The phone door is sticking John to sort.
- We need to plant the crocus bulbs as soon as possible- volunteers needed.

112.16 Facebook rules and moderation

Disappointingly we are currently having another problem with the Facebook page. Options were discussed including the closing down of the page, it was agreed that we would look at other options of ensuring that it is not used improperly as having a Facebook page is useful for applying for grant funding etc. It was also agreed that we would have more moderators rather than leaving it entirely to Ken and Diane. Paul C volunteered to help.

113.16 John Hislop- Allotments

It was agreed that for those members that had time that it would be a good idea to help John particularly as it means that members can grow their own veg etc. on the plot too.

114.16 Any Other Business

Items discussed included

- The usual litter pick will take place Sunday, the 11th of December at 10.00 am in the George Inn car park.
- Ken has met with Kirklees re the Green maintenance.
- We are helping with volunteer time for the EPIP bid for funding for the Trans Pennine Trail.
- Both Ken and Joan have reported the dangerous state of the pavements particularly nearer the Green. Ken met with Cllr Turner who has taken photos and Kirklees are still saying that the pavements do not warrant repair. Ken to pursue with Cllr Turner as we do not want any further accidents.
- Walkers are Welcome have approached Ken as to having another walk which starts at the phone box. Paul, Vera, Ken and Dean volunteered to further this idea.
- Kirklees have contacted the group regarding Back Lane footpath which is not a bridle way.

115.16 Date of the Next Meeting

There will be no meeting in January and so the next meeting will take place on the 4th of February at 11 am in the George Inn.

The meeting closed at 12.15 pm.

Signed by the Chair..... Date