

Minutes of a meeting of **TELSCOMBE VILLAGE CLUB COMMITTEE (Sub-Committee of Policy & Resources)** held on **Monday 26th January 2009** at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT

Councillors: Mr J Livings (**Chairman**)
Mrs B Sawyers
Ms L Hallett

Village Members: Mr A Baker, Mrs M Botting
Mr V Harwood, Mrs J. Kersten-Harwood
Mr Chris Quigley, Mrs Felicity Morris
Mr David Morris,

Also in attendance C.P.S.O. Linda Hackett (Peacehaven Police)

APOLOGIES

Councillors: Mr R Maskell, Mr J Page
Mr T Armour Mr J Harris
Ms Hallett

Village Members: Mrs Goodman, Mr P Harwood

Co-opted Member: Mr R Goodall

267. **TO APPROVE AND SIGN MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 1st DECEMBER 2008**

The minutes of the meeting were approved by the Committee and signed as correct by the Chairman.

268. **MATTERS ARISING**

The lack of outside lighting was discussed and the Clerk was requested to write to Strutt and Parker (Mr Alberto) to establish if the trustees would meet the cost.

The issue of potholes in Gorham Lane were raised and concerns expressed about the apparent poor quality of the repairs. The Chairman advised that the County Council contractors had not been removing water from the holes prior to filling. The result was that frost had then damaged the new material and the holes had reappeared. The Chairman advised this was a countywide problem and had been recently discussed at County Council Cabinet meeting. The issue of a bush obscuring the entrance and exit onto the C7 from Gorham Lane was also raised. The Chairman said he would raise both problems with the County Council Highways Department.

The Chairman outlined recent discussions in respect of a possible Community bus initiative involving a partnership with Newhaven, Peacehaven and Telscombe Town Councils. The Chairman said that the purchase of a new vehicle was not considered viable and the proposal was that an existing vehicle could be used outside school run hours and during school holidays. The meeting was advised that it was likely to be a pre booked service which would have a specific day allocated for picking up from the village.

269. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Treasurer reported that the Village Club account stood at £4,430 including £24.06 interest. The Christmas Craft Fair had raised £58.80 and the Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to Mrs Margaret Botting for all her hard work; this was unanimously endorsed by all at

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the meeting. Concern was expressed at the low attendance at the event and the need to improve publicity. The need for more publicity of future events in the Town Crier was emphasised.

270. BOOKING SECRETARY'S REPORT INCLUDING CHRISTMAS EVENTS

The Booking Secretary advised that the Christmas event had been excellent and everyone had thoroughly enjoyed it. An issue had arisen with a blocked sewer that Mr Harwood had unblocked on Christmas day; prior to a hiring on Boxing Day. The Committee agreed to pay Mr Harwood £40 for the work he had undertaken. The drain was considered to be an ongoing problem and the Clerk was requested to write to the Trustees and request an additional inspection point be placed in the drain-run to prevent a re-occurrence of the problem.

The hedge surrounding the front of the Club was considered to be too high and obscured the view of the building making it difficult to identify it as community hall. The Clerk agreed to ask the contract manager to reduce the height of the hedge to allow the building to be seen from the road.

271. TO DISCUSS IDEAS FOR FUTURE EVENTS TO BE HELD IN THE CLUB

The Committee agreed to hold two quiz nights on Friday 3rd April and Friday 9th October. A Summer Fair would also be held on Sunday 5th July. It was agreed all three events should be advertised in the next edition of the Town Crier.

272. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Chairman introduced CPSO Linda Hackett to the meeting. The illegal riding of motorbikes on the Tye was raised and CPSO Hackett advised that all instances should be reported on the police 0845 number as soon as possible. A question was raised in respect of the rumoured loss of access for the villagers across the Tye. The Chairman advised no decisions on the Tye had been made and the Management Plan from the land agent was awaited. The Clerk advised that the Management Plan would be a document for consultation and reiterated that no decisions on access had been made. A question was raised in respect of the removal of the bunding and the Chairman advised that this was scheduled by the County Council for June.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30pm.

The Chairman advised the next meeting would be held on Wednesday 25th March at 7.30 for 8.00pm.

Signed
CHAIRMAN – Cllr J Livings