

BURPHAM
VILLAGE COMMITTEE AND PARISH MEETING
Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 9 October 2012
at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall

Those attending: Paul Challen (Chairman)
Val Belton (Treasurer)
Marion Tucker (Minute Secretary)
Colin Dick (Cricket)
Heather Birch (Social)
Julie Tester (VH Hire Co-ordinator)
Ron Chapple
Chris Hales

Action

1. **Apologies**
Apologies were received from Roy Kilford and Ed French.
2. **Minutes of the Last Meeting**
The minutes of the meeting held 7 August 2012 were signed as a true record.
3. **Village Hall**
 - (a) Complaints had been received about the music noise from a wedding reception held at the Village Hall in mid-August. The hirers had turned the music off immediately when asked and were very apologetic.
 - (b) Extra crockery and cutlery had been purchased, bringing the total place settings available to 100.
4. **Planning**

Shepherd's Cottage – conservation rooflights – approved.
Budd's Corner – extension proposal – pending decision.
87 The Street – extension proposal – no objection. Request that steps be taken to ensure future maintenance of eastern flint wall.
Chestnut Cottage – reduction of chestnut tree – approved.
Post House – felling of tree – no objection.
Ilex Cottage – garage and alterations to wall – approved.
5. **Treasurer Report**
 - (a) The fête, held 6 October 2012, was deemed enjoyable and a great success, although the profit, at £1,634.70, was less than in 2011. One reason for this was that advertising costs included expenses for the aborted June date. Another was that possibly the date was outside the normal fête season. The Committee thanked all helpers and contributors, in particular: Nick Field for use of his field for car parking; Nathan, of PartyontheGrass, for the use of his marquees; and Russ Hayler and the ATC cadets. The profits will be split 50/50 with Burpham church.

6. **Secretary Report**
- (a) A letter has been received from Arun Co-Ordinated Community Transport asking for funding contributions. It was agreed that £50, the same as last year, be sent. It was also suggested that information on ACCT be put on the website to improve awareness of this service. Marion will get up-to-date information on this. MGT
- (b) The AirS subscription for 2012/13 is now due. Last year the basic "Tier 1" subscription of £72 was paid. Val is attending an AirS Village Hall workshop on 15 October, and will assess the value of this. VB
- (c) It was agreed that Marion would put an article on the website, and notices on the boards, about the dangers of toxocariasis, caught from infected dog faeces. A notice at the childrens' playground would also be useful. MGT
7. **Councillor Dendle Report**
No report.
8. **Social**
- (a) 16 November 2012 – Jazz Evening with a Sinatra theme at the Village Hall.
- (b) A shuffleboard evening is booked for 26 January 2013.
- (c) It was agreed that mulled wine be served after the church's Christmas Carol Service.
9. **Any Other Business..**
- (a) The church has reported it will open daily from mid-October.
- (b) There was discussion on the continuing violations of the 20 mph speed limit through the villages. Marion will discuss this with Loraine Dixon, of Sussex Police. MGT
- (c) Colin is discussing with contractors possibilities for the repair and protection of the area immediately by the entrance to the cricket ground. CD
- (d) Ron asked that the Committee consider possible ways of monitoring the distribution of keys to the Village Hall. To be discussed at the next meeting.
- (e) The bench in front of Church Cottage, which belongs to the village, is in a bad state of repair. Peter Werner will be asked if he could look at this. CH
- (f) Chris will discuss with the Santanas the cutting back of the holly bush.
- (g) Chris will organise a pond area clearance as soon as the ground is dry enough. CH
10. **Date, Time and Venue for Next Meeting**
Tuesday 4 December 2012 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Agreed as a true record:

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Date:

for Burpham and Wepham Village Committee and Parish Meeting