

SWANLAND VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

Minutes of

Committee Meeting: Tuesday 6th December 2016 at Swanland Village Hall

The meeting started at 7.45pm

PRE MEETING: OPEN FORUM: There was none.

ATTENDING:

Jan Rogerson (Chair)	JR
Yvonne Dumsday	YD
Steve Killick	SK
Louise MacFarlane	LMcF
Linda Mitchelson	LM
Angela Carpenter	AC
Marion Escreet	ME
Val Anderson	VA

JR
YD

APOLOGIES: Julie Swift and Rich Fowler

ACTION

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: These were passed as accurate

MATTERS ARISING: None

CORRESPONDENCE: John White had sent an email to the chairman commenting on the inappropriate order of items on the AGM agenda. This will be corrected at next year's AGM.

JR

TREASURES REPORT

Finances were healthy with over £10,000 in the account. Money was held for the Pond Partnership (£904), History Group (£1,423) and Swanland in Bloom (£1,859). The treasurer was asked to keep note of money held exclusively for SVA.

There had been a number of problems with the new Santander bank account resulting in the account being frozen for a number of days. The treasurer had complained to Santander who had admitted fault and paid compensation of £150. The association was still left with the task of requesting updated standing orders from members because these had not been transferred from the previous account.

SK
AC
ME

The committee thanked SK for his forbearance in dealing with the bank.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

LMcF reported that a request for standing order had been included in the recent Parish News and hence delivered to every household in Swanland. This had been followed up by a letter to each household paying membership by standing order clarifying that a new order would be necessary. It is hoped this will bring records up to date. The committee thanked Louise for her extra work in this regard.

LMcF also reported that 16 packets of notelets (out of 48) had been sold

JR
ME
SK
YD

REPORTS FROM OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Members discussed the timing of future editions of Signpost and the maintenance of the website following an email from Graham Latter

SK

SWANLAND FESTIVAL: LMcF requested the dates of the next festival but these could not be confirmed. The advantage of formalising the dates early was recognised.

**SWANLAND SCREEN: and
LIVE SHOWS:**

YD reported that “Dare Devil Rides to Jarama” had been described as the best show ever by some who had seen it. Juliet Kelly also had been successful. The next film to be shown was “Dad’s Army”.

SWG + POND: There was still thought to be a significant leak from the pond and dye is to be used to try to find out the source.

SWANLAND IN BLOOM:

LMcF suggested that Paul Neve be approached to take over from Mal Cracknell for organising the Open Gardens. YD proposed that, if Paul is not interested, once Mal is back home he is asked for names of all who have opened their gardens in the past so they can be contacted to ask if they would take on this role (with Mal’s help).

NEWSLETTER:

There had been misunderstandings about the amount that Swanland Parish Council would pay for printing their insert into the Newsletter and subsequent distribution. It had now been clarified that SPC would pay £180 to cover printing and delivery, they were invoiced £106 separately for printing, leaving £74 for distribution. This had been paid to SVA.

ME reported that the timing of the June and September Newsletters would be difficult for her. Discussion took place on future dates of Newsletter production. AC and ME will liaise on dates but 31st Jan deadline with delivery in mid-March will remain, other dates will change after.

HISTORY GROUP/HERITAGE CENTRE:

Heritage Centre closed until mid-March

AOB:

AC has lots of old paperwork (minutes etc.) relating to SVA that she would prefer not to have to store, and so has JR. It was resolved to organise a working party to review, sort and archive the paperwork. ME suggested meeting at Christ Church vestry and Mon 16th Jan was deemed to be a suitable date, at 2pm. YD will buy a number of box files from ERYC Supplies.

YD asked if the frame of a certificate awarded for Swanland in Bloom could be repaired and SK offered to do so.

NEXT MEETING 7.30pm Mon 6th February 2017. YD will host this meeting at Mere House, 3 Main Street as the village hall rooms are booked.

The meeting closed at 9.40pm