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Delph Community Association.**Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday, May 10th 2011 in Millgate Arts Centre**

Present: Natalie and Mike Cunnington, John Martindale, David Shipp, Jack Crossley, Bill Hullah, Janet Reid, Geoff Bayley, Sue Lund, Mike Clegg, Gill Clark, Phillida Shipp. Guests: Tessa Smith, Lee Walls.

Apologies: Mike Buckley, Ken Hulme, Mary McDonald Hall.

Minutes of last meeting accepted.

Matters arising;

G.Bayley raised a traffic concern. The 30mph sign in Stoneswood Rd still has not been changed.

Environment**Sewage Improvement Scheme: Tessa Smith from United Utilities.**

She was anxious to hear how much the closure of Denshaw Rd. and the diversions had affected the village. The projected work has been completed ahead of schedule due to the good weather.

Phase 2 of the project starts in July.

Denshaw Rd. will be closed from JULY 23RD 2011 until SEPT. 4TH 2011

Tessa agreed that the signage should be very clear;

NO ACCESS TO DELPH VILLAGE.

At the last road closure, traffic was attempting to turn round at Lodge Lane, Ainley Wood, and Clifton Holm causing damage to a wall.

The amended bus route via Delph Lane had problems but Tessa said that they have been resolved. Jack Crossley requested that Tessa would convey to the United Utility work team how much their efficiency and consideration had been appreciated by the residents.

After completion of the scheme, the field "Barn Meadow" will be restored but with manhole covers above the detention tank. The road will be grassed over.

It was suggested that as the scheme and road closure had caused problems for many villagers, would it be appropriate to approach United Utilities for a grant for the benefit of the village? Tessa could not offer an opinion, but could see no reason against D.C.A writing to ask for some recompense for the disruption to the village.

Treasurers Report; Mike Clegg

We have £473. in the current account;

We have £3,426. in the reserve account

Between 1.7.10 and 30.4.11 we spent £653 more than our income.

Mike is trying to find ways of reducing our expenditure, eg. Reducing the thermostat and finding a cheaper telephone supplier, for the library.

Chapel Garden.

Mike Buckley was unable to attend this meeting but sent a progress report re the Chapel Garden: 'All information has been sent to the stone mason and funds are available to do the job. Funds include a grant from Saddleworth District Partnership and LEADER.

We are still waiting for a full quotation from the stone masons despite chasing them frequently. The plan of the churchyard and gravestones is now complete, as are the transcriptions and photographs of all the gravestones. The future plan is to relay flat grave stones which are near the rear of the chip shop and to plant the area with a shrubbery to mask the unsightly back yard and ventilation duct.

David Harrison was able to tell us that more estimates for the cost of gravestone repair were needed and more funds were being sought.

Janet Reid was anxious to know about developments since the last plans were circulated. Nothing seems to be happening except for gravestone repair and tree planting.

David said some of the planned improvements had been vetoed, eg the band stand as Delph Band wouldn't use it.

She also asked who the members of The Saddleworth Trust Ltd were. (The owners of the Chapel garden.)

There are three directors; Mike Buckley, David Harrison and David Makin.

Other members are Keith Begley, Ken Hulme and Alan Petford.

There was no police report

Delph Diary. Sue Lund.

A Trial copy is being assembled by Janet Callender who prepares the weekly church news letter on her computer. She hopes to have it published this month. It is proposed to distribute to all Delph homes.

Phillida asked for the estimated cost for a year.

Scarecrow Trail: Sue Lund.

The printed brochures are expected on Friday and will cost £1.50p each. A large number will be sold via the children at Delph School but it is hoped that D.C.A. Members will sell them as well.

There will also be outlets at the Library, Museum and the Co-op..

[N.B, PLEASE DO NOT DISPLAY ON COUNTERS as people think that they are free.

The Scarecrows will be on display from June 3rd until June 12th.

Completed forms must be returned by June 20th 2011.

Whit Friday Sports: June 17th from 2pm to 4pm. School Field

The Community Association is arranging them again and helpers will be most welcome.

Library: Phillida Shipp.

There is to be a new project on June 6th from 6pm to 7pm called Bedtime Stories.

And it is for under 5's who could come to the Library in their night clothes and will be offered milk and biscuits before they go home.

Any other business

Jack Crossley is now taking names of children who would like to join Beavers. They should be 6 years old. His telephone number is 07790 7811241.

Phillida Shipp.

Looking forward to next year which will be the Diamond Jubilee of the Queens reign, the Woodland Trust is donating young trees for groups to plant to commemorate this occasion .D.C.A members

were in support of this idea and will discuss further.

Ideas were put forward about needs for the village if United Utilities were able to recompense the village for disruption..

- Contribution towards cost of Delph Diary.
- Double glazing for the Library.
- Finance towards the Chapel Garden and the Independent Grave yard.

Date of next meeting July 5th 2011 which will be the A.G.M.

Meeting closed at 9.15pm

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