



Shevington and District Community Association



Registered Charity No. 513784

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 28th November 2023

Welcome and introductions

Elaine welcomed everyone to the meeting, followed by introductions around the room.

Present

Elaine Ellams; Lorna Ellis; Laura Koskinas; Kathy Lamb; Shirley Lusher; Carole Miles; Sheila Milnes; Andrew Moakes; Izzy Morris; Pam Powell; Angela Power; Gill Rigbye; Sarah Stephenson

Apologies

Paul Collins; Mike Crosby; Vicky Galligan; Helen Hurst; Paul Liptrot; Jim Maloney; Ira Whiteley; John Whiteley; Marlaine Whitham

Minutes of the October meeting

Proposed by Lorna, seconded by Andrew and signed as a true record.

Finances

Jim had emailed a short report. The cheque for payment of the Art Group coach has been cleared. There are two applications for a small grant of £250 for consideration at the January meeting: one from the Fete Committee, the other from a new Bowls Club based in the village.

Tickets are available for the Quiz Night in the Parish Rooms on Friday 26th January from 7.45 - 10.45 Tickets are £6, or pay at the door. Contributions for the buffet welcomed. Bring your own drinks.

Councillors' report

No councillors were able to attend the meeting.

Parish Council update

No one at the meeting to report.

Library digital notice board John Whiteley

With some discussion and queries from people who hadn't attended recently the chair said the item would be kept on the agenda for the January meeting.

Adopting a Safeguarding Policy

The background to the necessity for this was given.

Additional Updates

Andrew said the Garden Club meeting on Monday 11th December would include Bingo with Linda Hill and a Jacob's Join.

St Anne's is booked for the Spring Show on 13th April and plans are going well. This involves people from the two allotments. Once a bank account has been set up they will be able to apply for a small grant. The Garden Club show on 3rd August 2024 will be their 40th anniversary. A brass band is planned.

The Defib. and CPR training sessions given by Rebecca from Be Well Wigan were well received with donations put towards future need for replacement pads. There may be further sessions in the new year later in the day.

Kathy said there will be carol singing from 11am on 9th December led by St Anne's with tea & mince pies at the Methodist Church after,

There will be a carol service at the Methodist Church on Sunday 24th.

The annual carol singing at the Edinburgh Woolen Mill in Golden Days, led by Tony, will be on Sunday 3rd December from 2pm.

A Christingle Messy Church is planned for Saturday 16th December, followed by a concert by Tony Bostock at 6pm. Tickets are £3 in aid of the Hospice.

Carole said while heating has been restored in the Methodist building it doesn't reach all the rooms. M & Y, the developers on the Miles Lane site will address this & the problems with the new kitchen as a community project, but when is not yet known.

There will be an evening of Prize Bingo at the Methodist building from 6.30 on Saturday 9th December. Entry is £1.50 which includes the first book and refreshments.

Shirley gave details of the Digital Learning @ Shevington Library, an online basic skills or refresher course. Course 8 from 9th January to 13th February is fully booked. Course 9 from February 27th to April 2nd has 3 places left.

Bookings are being taken for Course 10 from April 16th to May 21st.

Contact the library : 10257 252618

Gill said shoplifting has been an issue at the Shevington shop.

A Light for Life with various activities and refreshments will be held on Sunday from 6.30 at The Hospice on Kildare Street.

Angela gave an update on plans for Stockley Park which was formed last year.

500 bulbs have been planted, new planters and a bench installed. There are plans for a disabled gate as the three kissing gates make it inaccessible to wheelchairs and pushchairs. M and Y will install this but first, the council says a path is required so fundraising is needed for this. A living christmas tree has been planted, a composting area has been built by M& Y and Ramsay Timber will build raised beds for sensory and edible planting. The council has given permission for a mini orchard & there are plans for seed bombs, bird boxes and bird feeders.

Elaine said the Dementia Support Group for carers enjoyed a meal at The Owls on Monday.

Events at St Anne's include A brass band evening from 7pm in church on Friday 8th December. A Carol Service on 10th December at 3pm in church.

20th December at 6.30 a Blue Christmas Service in church for the bereaved.

21st December at 11am Carols and Communion in the Parish Centre.

On Christmas Eve, a Live Nativity Trail on the rec' from 4pm with animals and carol singing. Midnight Communion from 11.15pm.

Christmas Day Altogether Communion Celebration at 11am

AOB

There was none.

The meeting closed at 8.05pm.

Date and time of next meeting

Tuesday January 2024

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Library opening times

Monday - Wednesday 9-12 Thursday & Friday 12 -5

Saturday 9 -2