

**Brackenfield Village Association**  
**Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 18 April 2018 at 10am at Holly Cottage**

**Present:** Stefan Priest, Cath Pilsbury, Martin Philips, Rev'd Ralph Lawrence, Lynn Keeton,  
Mike Edwards, Christine Edwards

**Minutes of the meeting on 21 March 2018:** Read and agreed

**Matters arising:**

**Insurance:** Cheque for payment of premium has been posted and confirmation of renewal received.

**Feedback from PCC:** Ralph presented notes summarising the PCC's response to the discussion points raised with them. **Christine will draft a note to Jane Steeper** (Secretary) offering some meeting dates to follow up their suggestion of further discussion to develop a plan of activities in the Hall.

**Local History Cafe Project:** A funding bid has been submitted to Tesco "Bags of Help". Mike wrote to Councillor Barry Lewis requesting funding from the County Leadership Fund and this bid has been passed on to another fund which deals with larger grants. Katherine Brown is completing the funding bid for the Co-op. Responses awaited.

**Follow Up to Pudding Evening:** An Italian Evening has been arranged with Laura Kay for Friday 9th October and has been advertised in the April Bulletin. **Martin will inquire about a potential Wine Tasting session to complement the evening. Christine will check with NE DDC whether a TEN would be required for this.**

**Litter Pick:** Church Hall and equipment booked. Mike has informed Derbyshire Highways and Police and asked for any further advice. Martin will inform the PC. Advertised in the Bulletin. Christine needs numbers for equipment order. **Christine will check Insurance Cover with Ladbrooks.**

**Derbyshire Open Arts:** Mike has not heard back yet. **He will follow up.**

**Picnic on the Green: Sunday 15 July from 11am to 5pm**

Organisation of the day to be discussed fully at the May meeting. Mike and Stefan will get together before then to look at the details including the risk assessment.

**Photos:** A frame with a cut out face through which people can take their own photo would be fun. **Martin will follow up.**

**Banners:** Useful to announce the event. Could be re-usable. **Martin will price up and talk to Nigel re using the Hall wall.**

**Gazebos:** Required as last year. **Martin will ask Bex**

**Tables:** Christine will contact Geoff.

**Fun dog show:** Anne, Stefan and Mike have equipment to make an arena.

**PA system:** Has been requested. Martin will do introductions etc.

**Raffle and tombola prizes:** We all need to ask around.

**AGM:**

**Refreshments:** Christine will bring tea, coffee, milk and sugar and biscuits. Martin and others will bring wine. Wine and glasses to be put on self-service table. We will need the boiler on and pound coins for the heaters.

Discussion of procedure and proposed changes to constitution to help things run more smoothly. **Christine will revise the draft constitution.**

**Any other business:**

**Antiques information/valuing:** Suggested as a future event. Mike will make initial inquiries to Bamfords and Hansons. If we are to ask third parties to support us on a voluntary basis to assist with fund raising we need to be clear about the cause. The proposed Local History Cafe would be a worthy project. **Christine will ask Katherine Brown if she has a paragraph that could be used in publicity.**

**Father Christmas:** Martin will follow up.

**Keyboard player for Christmas event:** Ralph will send Christine contact details to follow up.

**Advertising of events by third parties:** Martin has received a request for an event taking place in the Church Hall to be advertised on Brackenfield website and facebook page. It was agreed that this should be phrased "We have been asked to let you know that..... If you would like further information see (their link.)"

**Dates of next meetings:** All at Holly Cottage at 10am, except for the AGM

*3 May at 6.30pm at the Church Hall (AGM); 30 May; 27 June; 11 July*

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