

Brackenfield Village Association
Minutes of meeting held on Friday 3rd February 2023 at 1.30pm at Green Farm

Present: Linda Walker, Catherine Tomlinson, Stefan Priest, Cath Pilsbury, Pat O'Brien, Diane Hooton, Lynn Keeton, Christine Edwards

This was the first meeting since 21st January 2020 prior to the COVID lock-down.

Committee Membership

Diane and Pat were welcomed onto the Committee.

Mike Edwards (Treasurer) died on 20 December 2022. Stefan agreed to take over the role of Treasurer (Proposed by CE and seconded by LK). CE and SP will inform Lloyds Bank of the changes.

Committee Meeting frequency

It was agreed that the committee should meet quarterly.

Events

Brackenfield Heritage Café: Meetings resumed in October 2022 and have proved very popular. Christine, Diane and two volunteers from the Heritage group have recently formed a sub-group to plan, monitor and manage the Heritage Café and several volunteers have come forward to help with setting up, refreshments and clearing away. The next meeting is on Thursday 16th March. The Parish Council have allocated £150 Section 137 grant to cover Hall Hire for 5 sessions.

Neighbourhood Watch: Mike Edwards was the NW Coordinator and Christine has taken on the role at least as a temporary measure. A funding bid submitted before Christmas for £170 to fund two NW "Drop In" sessions with refreshments has been successful. Christine will contact some NW scheme members with a view to jointly planning the sessions.

Pop-Up Tea Room: It was agreed that BVA would run three pop-up tea room days over the year (May, August and Early December). The first one will take place on Sunday 7th May from 10am to 4pm to mark the coronation celebrations. See planning notes at the end of these minutes.

Italian Evening: The event planned for March 2020 was sold out and had to be cancelled due to COVID. Later in the year, the Committee will consider re-scheduling this for Spring 2024.

AGM:

The AGM will take place on **Tuesday 23rd May 2023 at 6.30pm** in the Church Hall. To be advertised on Facebook (Catherine), BVA website and noticeboard (Christine).

Next Committee Meeting:

Monday 17th July at 1.30pm at Green Farm