

## **Wombwell Community Alliance**

**Held in Library at 6pm on 22/05/17**

### **Present**

Cllr Rob Frost	Chair
Cllr Dick Wraith	Vice Chair
Brian Whitaker	Treasurer
Amanda Bradshaw	BMBC
Sara Brautigam	Secretary
Brenda Eastwood	
Graham Wright	
Joan Whitaker	We Love Wombwell
Peter Jones	
Margret Morgan	
Sabeena Chavan	
Alan Taylor	
Fiona O'Brian	Principle Towns

#### **1. Apologies**

None

#### **2. Minutes of last meeting and Matters Arising**

The minutes were recorded as a true recorded.

#### **3. Principal Towns**

The Alliance said that before any money was spent on businesses that there should be a complete clean-up of the areas.

The hope is to increase the income and the economy on the high street. Also to look at development on the high street and markets.

The group are considering the possibility of buying one of the empty shops on the high street and modelling it on the Birds' Yard in Sheffield or an Indoor Market.

The plan is to look at developing a town team with the correct people being part of the team.

#### **4. Funding Application.**

The bid put in by the Wombwell Neighbourhood Watch was rejected by the Alliance, the group have advised that the Neighbourhood watch team contact the Crime Commission for funding as they have no figures stating there is an issue with fraud in Wombwell.

Wombwell & District Well Being & Social Group, The alliance has approved the full bid for £540.

#### **5. Community Garden**

When the funding was allocated from BMBC the Garden did not have its own account and it was paid direct into the Alliance's own bank account.

The Garden now has its own account and Alan now requesting that the balance of £7766 is now transferred across.

Reservations was raised that it was a large amount to be paid to a group of new volunteers.

In response Alan said that Amanda, Jola and himself were still members of the Garden Managing committee (Loxley Garden Group) and he was chair.

That the money was granted to the Garden and only paid into the Alliance for convenience at the time.

If the garden had held a bank account at the time the funds would have gone straight to them anyway.

The governance arrangements were fully in place i.e. bank statements to Chairman.

Furthermore there was an agreed constitution that satisfied Yorkshire Bank and standing authority in the minutes that expenditure of over £20 must be agreed by the Loxley Garden Group and smaller amounts to be discussed with the Alan, Amanda or Jola.

The Alliance agreed the transfer of funds.

## **6. Luncheon Club**

The Luncheon Club have opened a bank account. There is a meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> May to go through the final preparations ahead of the trial run next week with bought in pie and peas. The hope is that the week after the club will be fully operation as the volunteers will have done the Hygiene course.

## **7. Tidy Team**

The tidy team are working Tuesday-Saturday with more drivers.

Fly tipping is still a major issue.

The team have had interest from 3 residents on the Foundry Estate. The team are going to look at leafletting the area to get more volunteers.

There have been 2 new apprentices appointed that have started working.

The alliance said that the play area near Wath Road could do with a strim.

## **8. Treasurers Report.**

The alliance has a further £10,000 for the new financial year.

In the account as of 05/05/2017 the group has £10,303.99 however there is a total of £9425.65 ring-fenced.

## **9. Social Isolation Workshop.**

This to include the Sloppy Slippers campaign.

The group need to work out what is already happening within the area to see where there are gaps that could be filled.

## **10. Friends of Wombwell Park.**

They are still waiting for quotes, Jo Burch is coming about the wall.

6<sup>th</sup> June they will be opening the pavilion.

The skate park is not moving forward, the 106 money still hasn't been approved yet.

The group are looking at using Tesco's to get notice boards. They are looking at using Tesco for other smaller projects as they can allocate £1-5,000 per project.

## **A.O.B.**

Salvation Army band booked for the Christmas Market.

There is a coffee afternoon on the 2<sup>nd</sup> June with the PCSO's between 1-3pm at the library.

The group want to look at inviting the Crime Commissioner to the meetings.

We love Wombwell committee are continuing, however they want to look at revitalising the group.

Park Street Parents and Carers Support Group, there are around 12 people attending regularly. The meetings are held weekly. They are starting a Healthy Living courses and the training has started.

**Next Meeting**

Monday 22<sup>th</sup> May

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November