

BRADMORE PARISH COUNCIL

Confirmed Minutes of the Annual PARISH Meeting held in
the Bradmore Community Hall at 8 pm on Wednesday 7th May 2014

PRESENT Councillor K Ackroyd (Chair)
 Councillor M Naden (Vice Chair)
 Councillor R Adair
 Councillor F Cattell
 Councillor J Nathanson
 Councillor R Colwill
 Councillor M Peregrine
 The Clerk

PARISHIONERS ATTENDING (separate list)

- 1 APOLOGIES: T Brecknock.
- 2 The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming Liz Lowe of the "First Contact Signposting Scheme", who gave a short talk on its function. The scheme provides a seamless, time and cost effective process to ensure people aged 60 years or over can access a full range of preventative services designed to keep them safe and independent in their own homes. Leaflets were available at the meeting, and a further supply was given to the Clerk for other interested residents.
- 3 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
 The Agenda and Chairman's Report had been distributed to each household prior to the meeting. Residents were asked if they had any questions relating to the report. There were none.
- 4 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING
 There were no comments from residents and the Minutes were approved and signed.
- 5 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
 None.
- 6 FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS
 Copies of the End of Year Accounts were available at the meeting.
- 7 ANNUAL REPORTS

Bunny & Bradmore Charities (*Councillor M Peregrine*)

The object of the Education Charities is to provide educational benefits to young persons in the Parishes of Bunny, Bradmore and Costock. Applicants can apply for £75 for help towards the purchase of books etc in connection with their studies. Income from the fund, which totals £60,000, was available for the scheme, but few applications had been received. Cllr Peregrine had been asked at the meeting in 2013 if the sum of £75 could be raised, possibly to £150, with more flexibility on the use of the money, for "education" rather than just books. Cllr Peregrine confirmed that it was possible to use the money for other items. The request for an increase had been turned down by the Charity. Cllr Ackroyd asked Cllr Peregrine if a further request for an increase could be put forward at the next meeting of the Charity.

Parish Footpaths (*Councillor R Colwill*)

Mr Colwill said that the paths were now dry after the wet winter and that he had done a first cut of nettles around Syd's bench and a few other areas. The biggest development during the year had been the installation of navigation posts in the horse field containing all the mobile electric fences.

Cllr Ackroyd congratulated Roger Colwill on his monthly report, and the work he has carried out.

Bunny with Bradmore Womens' Institute

Emily Hardstaff was elected the new President in May 2013. Emily thanked the previous president, Gwenda Ackroyd, who remains on the Committee, for her constant source of support.

During the year, members had enjoyed a wide range of speakers, from Gemstones to Nursing in Afganistan and the visit of some special canine guests in the form of medical detection dogs.

Membership totalled 49 and Emily was hoping to increase this over the coming year. She has loved every minute of it and was especially touched when members formed a choir at her wedding in Bunny Church in December.

Emily finished her talk by informing residents that there would be a baton visiting every WI in the country this year to mark the Womens' Institute centenary next year. The baton will be received at 12.30 pm on Friday 13th June in Bradmore outside the Methodist Hall when Emily will be dressed up as a Morris dancing Bunny!

8 DEFIBRILLATOR

Cllr Colwill reported that CHT will give talks and demonstrations to villagers on Wednesday 4th June and Tuesday 1st July. Information would be circulated later. Seven people had volunteered for the Village Emergency Telephone System (VETS) and it was hoped to increase this number to 10. As a volunteer on the system, no first aid knowledge would be necessary. It would just be a matter of collecting the defibrillator and taking it to the residence, allowing the family member who had called for help, to remain with the patient.

Mr M Nathanson asked that it be recorded that the project had proved a success due to a combination of the generosity of residents, the fundraising by Mark Oldham and Roger Colwill's leadership of the Group.

9 BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

There were no responses or suggestions for this idea.

10 OBJECTIVES FOR THE VILLAGE

Roger Colwill led a discussion to consider whether the Annual Parish meeting could be used as a forum to agree possibly 3 projects each year, which could be accomplished over the following 12 months. Lessons learned from the defibrillator project highlighted the fact that such projects must not only have wide enthusiasm from within the village, but also a group of people willing to donate a significant amount of time to make them happen.

The discussion focused on 3 areas: Social events (designed to bring the village closer together); Physical improvements (projects to improve the physical appearance of the village); Communication (in particular a village web-site or similar).

11 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Parking continued to be a problem. Cllr Ackroyd reported that the Police were unwilling to take any action unless a vehicle was causing an obstruction. Bradmore, as a village, does not qualify for double yellow lines. Individuals were responsible for parking sensibly.

The meeting closed at 9:20 pm

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Date _____