

MINUTES OF PETTISTREE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 24th MAY 2011 IN PETTISTREE VILLAGE HALL AT 8.00 PM

Present: Jeff Hallett (Chairman) Maggie Hallett, Rita Smith, Dick Smith, Cath Cauldwell
Maureen Stollery, Peter Hayward, Mike Watts, Mary Chilvers, Roger Chilvers, Michael Bond,
Terry Rowles, Clive Mann (Clerk)

- 1.0 Apologies for Absence:** Elaine Boardley, Joan Peck, Vic Gilmore.
- 2.0 Minutes of Meeting 25th May 2010** were produced to the meeting. After due consideration, they were proposed, seconded and passed unanimously.
- 3.0 Matters Arising:** The affordable housing Survey had insufficient interest and therefore it had been agreed with Suffolk ACRE not to proceed. The budget set aside for this was spent on a contribution to 2 projects within the community, namely the upgrade of the Village Hall facilities and the Church Hall car park.
- 4.0 Parish Council Chairman's Report** – see attached. The report, which outlined local topics including changes to Councillors and Clerk, a list of businesses in the area and included an extensive review of the finances, was accepted unanimously. The Chair also took the opportunity to inform the meeting that the Rogues lane pot holes had now been filled and the hedge cutting had been completed. Best wishes were afforded to the Deputy Chef of the Greyhound who has a serious illness. Thanks were agreed for the work done by Chris Garner on the Parish Website which stood up well against its peers and was a good advert for Pettistree. It was the wish of the Parish Council to remove the lay-by and re-instate the Green after the removal of the pay phone. This expenditure had been included in the 2011/2012 budget.
- 5.0 To receive reports from:**
 - Pettistree & Loudham** – see attached report from the Local History Recorder (Joan Peck). This report, which listed all notable events during the year, was accepted unanimously.
 - Pettistree Heritage** – see attached report given by Cath Cauldwell which was accepted unanimously. It outlined the events during the year and the hopes for 3 heritage walks. A draft leaflet was shown which was planned to be available from Tourist information sites along with local businesses. A discussion took place on the poor state of some footpaths and stiles.
 - Pettistree Parochial Church Council** – see attached report presented by Maggie Hallett. The report highlighted the excellent work done during the year, increased attendances along with a continual review of the service to keep it fresh and the report was accepted unanimously.
 - Village Hall Committee** – no report was submitted. However, the poor state of the Village Hall floor due to damp was highlighted and its replacement considered likely.
 - Suffolk County Councillor** – Cllr Bond gave an open and honest verbal report on his duties as a County Councillor and the difficult decisions the proposed cuts and political wrangles posed. His report was accepted unanimously and he was thanked for his continued support and attendance at Pettistree meetings.
 - Suffolk Coastal District Councillor** – Cllr Bond reviewed the activities of the District Council and was thanked for the offer to fund two more grit bins, he also agreed to speak to the appropriate people at the Council regarding the poor state of Pettistree footpaths. A question was asked about the Planning procedure and what changes were to be made.
 - Safer Neighbourhood Team** – see attached report which was accepted unanimously. The Chair updated the meeting on Neighbourhood Watch, Smartwater and the need for parishioners to log and report odd occurrences.

6.0 Future Village Events to mark National Anniversaries etc

The meeting discussed the National events happening in 2012 and decided Pettistree should mark the Queens Jubilee on the 5th June and the Olympics in July/Aug. It was also agreed to have a street party in Stump Street and possibly a sports day. A New Years Eve party would be held in the village Hall with a 50's 60's theme and Pettistree People newsletter would be used as a vehicle to promote and encourage involvement.

7.0 Matters concerning Pettistree Village

- 7.1 BT had agreed that the payphone should be removed but it was not on their priority list.
- 7.2 It was confirmed Pettistree was on the list for two new Grit bins to be sited at the bottom of the hill near Hungarian Hall and at the corner of the Green.
- 7.3 The Digital Switchover approached rapidly. Help was available to those in need.
- 7.4 The meeting was informed that the Council received a cash benefit from the local Glass recycling unit and parishioners were encouraged to use that rather than go elsewhere.
- 7.5 It was discussed whether to enter the Village of the Year competition run by BT, however there was very little time to get the information required together so it was agreed to plan for next year.
- 7.6 The bus shelter opposite the Three Tuns was in a poor state and overgrown by weeds, several attempts for assistance in this work had drawn a blank. Mr Roger Chilvers generously agreed to cut back the weeds.

8.0 Any Other Business – The future of the Library at Wickham Market was discussed as the Council wished to transfer the running to volunteers as part of its cost cutting. There were difficulties with this and further talks with the Council were planned
A vote of thanks was agreed for Mary Chilvers who provided the excellent refreshments at the end of the meeting.

9.0 Date for 2012 Annual Parish Meeting – 22nd May 2012

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