

Joint Buckden Parish Council & Village Hall Trust liaison meeting

Wednesday 28th August 7.00pm 55 The High Street

NOTES

Attendees: Matt Beldam, Cynthia Alers, Caroline Underwood, Peter Clark

Notes from last meeting

Energy saving initiatives

CA has been in discussions with PECT about a grant for 15k for provision of energy saving measures. It was noted that if this was not successful that BPC could either provide a loan or take loan out on behalf of the VHT for the provision of LED lights, insulation etc. BPC will not follow up until CA lets us know about the PECT grant.

ACTION CA to let BPC know the outcome of the bid. **PC** to follow up re loan if required

Hearing Loop

Jo informed us that Acre are not recommending the installation of hearing lops as that is old technology. It was suggested the VHT put together a short leaflet/card giving clients information on using Hearing Apps.

ACTION MB to follow up re leaflet with Jo

Legal status

There is still an issue in relation to the change on the land. JT engaged a solicitor to deal with this. CA will follow up with Ramune if this not successful she will contact CU who will follow up with JT

ACTION CA to follow up with Ramune. CU to do further follow up if required.

Fundraising opportunities and updates

FCC 34k footpaths, work starts Monday 2nd and there will be a follow up quote for a fixed weir to aid water retention in the valley.

HDC 5k biodiversity grant. A report will be supplied by HDC in September and the application can go ahead after receipt of report.

Priorities for youth activities and infra structure, working with the Village Club

CU updated group on the planned visit to Great Shelford. She will feed back to Village Club BPC and VHT on the ideas from there and then we need to ensure that the Village Club identify the infra structure upgrades required so that the VHT can apply to the BPC for funds. There has been some discussion on Facebook about the need for a skatepark. The desire for this was not supported by the Youth Survey.

ACTION CU to feed back on visit to Gt Shelford

Fundraising opportunities and updates

Covered under notes from last meeting.

Updates from VHT

- CA in discussion with bid writers
- Might look at the possibility of cinema nights, suggested she contact Offord and or Kimbolton.
- New website in place
- Additional funds that have been received might go to blinds. A list of priorities will be discussed at VHT AGM
- VHT are undertaking re-evaluation of buildings for insurance purposes. This is likely to raise the insurance premium substantially.
- Football Club going very well.
- There have been complaints about trees overshadowing a garden. CU will ask Ray Magness new village Tree warden to liaise with Cynthia about this and he may also be interested in helping with the valley. Cllr Madeline Fraser too might be of help with the valley.

ACTION CU to put CA in contact with RM and MF

Updates from BPC

- There is still a lack of clarity over the amount of CIL funds the BPC has available.
- BPC is reinstating the Neighbourhood Plan Group
- There is now a Hub and youth Advisory Group

AOB None

Date of next meeting

15th October 7.15 venue to be confirmed