

4.1.7 Press attendance at lighting up ceremony - not discussed

4.2 Carol Singing: Actions from previous meeting.

4.2.1 SD had contacted the Salvation Army but they were already booked.

4.2.2 Local School Band – in the event it was felt that the “scratch” band drawn from local sources had added much to the event and it was felt that this should be done again next year, but in a more formalised manner.

4.2.3 JAB had contacted the Vicar.

4.2.4 It was agreed that JH and TY had done a good job in co-ordinating the event.

4.3 Comments/Observations/Suggestions

It was felt that the event should be staged again next year, with improved advertising of the event. The 12th December 2005 was selected as the date, and this will be advertised via appropriate channels closer to the time (JH suggested a mail drop). David Andrews has offered to donate a living tree which will serve for years to come. TY will liaise on this.

Action: TY

DW mentioned the possibility of assistance from EHDC or the town council. It was agreed that this was worth considering.

Action: JAB

It was agreed that any profit made would be donated to the Salvation Army.

Action: VK

BK to ensure that there will be an item on the January 2005 meeting agenda to checkpoint progress.

Action: BK

5.0 Social Sub-committee

5.1 Trafalgar Day Village Picnic

NC informed the meeting that Trafalgar Day is October 21st. It was considered that this is too far outside summer to be feasible for a village picnic.

JH mentioned that it is the tenth anniversary of Holybourne Cricket Club and it was agreed that LK would approach HCC to discuss the possibility of a “joint venture” over the summer.

Action: LK

The fixture list may not be available until February or March 2005 so it may not be possible to progress this until then. TY also pointed out that Alton Live is scheduled for the first Saturday in July.

5.2 Dinner for Elderly Residents of Village

TY mooted the possibility of a dinner, around Easter, at the Village Hall for elderly Holybourne residents. The plan is to cook the meals at Treloars and to use hotplates at the Village Hall. All volunteers welcome.

6.0 Magazine Update

6.1 Decollation of stickers

The stickers were decollated and delivered along with the magazines.

6.2 Anstey Mill Lane

DT reported that residents of Anstey Mill Lane were disappointed at not having Holybourne Magazine delivered to their homes. It was decided that, in future, slips could be delivered to these houses that can be “redeemed” at Holybourne Shop and Post Office for a copy of the magazine. VK to approach the shop and see if they are willing to support this.

Action: VK

Eggars school is not currently delivered to, it was agreed that they should be written to offering a complementary copy.

Action: JAB

7.0 Friends of the Pond

NC gave a report on Friends of the Pond. The minutes of the inaugural meeting are attached.

There is a working party convening on Tuesday 28th December at 0930, co-ordinated by SD. All volunteers will be welcomed.

8.0 The White Hart

8.1 Merlin Inns were not contacted to give a vote of support for David and Melanie (from the Golden Pot). JAB explained the reasons why he thought this might be counter-productive following a conversation with David that indicated a favourable outcome for their application. In the event, they were not successful. The new landlord takes over on 21st January.

9.0 Right of Way from White Hart Car Park into Inham's Close

9.1 VK checked with Tom Hamm who said that any right of way had lapsed when Carpenters Close was built. DW offered to check on this officially.

Action: DW

10.0 Village and/or HVA Logo

JH asked if there was an "official" Holybourne logo, as this had arisen during the creation of the publicity for the carol singing. JAB said that there was, it is the one in use on www.holybourne.com and the magazine. JAB said that he would talk to CE.

Action: JAB

11.0 Village Noticeboard

BK mentioned that notices do not seem to be Holybourne-specific – e.g. there was a notice for guided walks in Alton, and two carol concerts in other villages. JH said that he would have put a carol singing notice up on it but didn't know who to approach and that it was full anyway. It was felt that there should be a defined policy – e.g. "official" notices only and that the lady who controls it could be instructed. JAB will talk to CE as he is familiar with this.

Action: JAB

LK and VK offered to perform occasional "spot checks" after this has been implemented.

12.0 Planning

Mapey's/159 London Road was discussed after the recent press coverage in the Alton Herald. DW will clarify what is and is not covered by a Grade II listed buildings status.

Action: DW

110 London Road wishes to build an extension at the back. This will not be visible from London Road, the neighbours have no objections and it will not affect the overall environment of the village, so is outside the remit of the HVA.

Proposed house in the area of Rock Tor/Bethany in Church Lane – the plans have now been inspected and it is felt that it is not unduly large. The large amount (8) of parking spaces is to give each of the terraced cottages an off-road parking space. JAB will withdraw the HVA's original objection following a detailed review of the plans by SD and TY who believed that the development was of a suitable size for the plot.

Action: JAB

13.0 Secretary's Report

BK explained the difficulties with the distribution list which will be resolved with NC's assistance (see 3.2 above). NC had arranged for secretary.hva@holybourne.com to be re-routed to BK's e-mail address.

JAB said that he had the minute book and would pass it to BK.

Action: JAB

14.0 Treasurer's Report

14.1 VK now has the treasurer's items in her possession and has liaised with Dennis Nason on a couple of queries.

14.2 Transfer of signatories was agreed – the only authorised signatories to be officers of the committee – JAB, JH and VK

15.0 Any Other Business

15.1 Litter

SD said that since Onyx had opened their depot at Cuckoo's Corner there has been a lot of litter along the A31. BK said that there is also a lot of litter on London Road at Cuckoo's Corner. JAB will contact HCC and Onyx.

Action: JAB

Depending on whether and/or how well this is cleaned up, there may be a litter picking campaign in the spring.

15.2 Village Map

The Art Society will produce pictures of "interesting" houses in and around Holybourne which will then feature on a village map.

15.3 Parking

Cars are parking close to the end of Howard's Lane and this is making an already difficult corner more dangerous, especially at School start and end times. SD said that cars are not supposed to park within 5 metres of junctions. SD will keep an eye on this over the festive period.

Action: SD

16.0 Date of Next Meeting

The next HVA Committee Meeting will be at 8pm on 11th January 2005 at the Village Hall. Please forward any items for inclusion on the agenda, or any apologies for absence, to the secretary by 7th January after which a final agenda will be circulated. Contact 01420 549074, or e-mail secretary.hva@holybourne.com

17.0 Closure of meeting

There being no further business to transact, the chairman declared the meeting closed at 22:59.