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Minutes of a Committee Meeting of TaWRA held at the Village Hall, on Thursday 30th July 2009 at 7.30 pm

Those present: Michael Bird (Chairman), Richard Griffiths, Jane Myles (Secretary), Carole Webb, Jo Olivey. Cath Olivey, Stan Burgess, Paul Follett, Kate Straker

Apologies for absence were received from Tim Stafford, Lee Mills, Marie Roddis

2. Minutes of meeting held on 2nd July.

These were duly read and approved.

3 Matters arising

Tim Stafford is still trying to speak to a resident as planned about potential membership of the committee but as yet has not been able to contact her as she is busy.

4. Correspondence

The Secretary circulated the letter from the Chairman of the Hall Committee.

Village Hall liaison

Hall fees: Andy Nicholls came to explain the recent history of the hall committee and its finances. It was agreed unanimously that the Committee should write to the Chairman accepting the offer of a reduced rate for the hall until September and pay the higher fee of £7.50 thereafter.

Advertising: It would help to have separate headlines for events announced on the blogsite so that the public can see who is organising each event being advertised.

5. IT/Blogsite

There have only been 10 new visits, 40 visitors, and 113 visits in total. This reflects lower postings, people on holiday at this time of year, and no newsletter to drive people to the blog. 66% of people are coming directly to the site and only 24% from search engines. The average time on site is 1 minute =reflecting less new content and people familiar with the blog revisiting.

There was a suggestion about investigating the possibility of a webcam for the beach.

6. Land near the beach/burial ground

This is a historic site and most people know little about it. The land was designated for the use of the “men of the village of Trevone”. There are 4 trustees who may be owners but the legal title to the land needs to be researched. They are possibly custodians/trustees rather than owners in the ordinary sense. It is an important ancient monument site and may be common land subject to the same rights as the land in

front of Atlantic Terrace. This is linked to 'The Green' (or 'The Empty Purse' as it is sometimes known).

Andy Nicholls is happy to be part of a working group to plot the proper history and historical significance of the burial site and to enter into dialogue with the County Council, maybe for example suggesting an archaeological dig. The working group will also include Jo Olivey and Stan Burgess.

7. Insurance

Our premium is soon due as from the start of August. We need to find out what degree of cover we need. Any activity we conduct that results in an injury and a claim against TaWRA needs public liability insurance. The Chairman outlined the possible insurers' descriptions of all the various policies available to us. Paul Follett offered to pay the extra trustee indemnity if our funds don't stretch that far. MB is hoping to write once again to Padstow Council explaining that we have received a much lower premium offer and they may give us a contribution towards our insurance. MB is going to go ahead as soon as possible with arrangement, hopefully getting agreement for us to pay by instalments.

8. Transport

TaWRA will communicate with Cornwall Council re. parking restrictions and traffic on Trevone Road to improve the present situation where parked vehicles are posing a hazard, and will also contact Tony Doherty to see if progress has been made about the exploratory site meeting with a Highways Authority which has been promised.

9. Finance

The Treasurer reported that the Committee had received £45 of anonymous donations. The fund now stands at £408.95. We would like to give a vote of thanks to Chris Straker for the ongoing use of the photocopier.

9. Fundraising

Jo reported that we had been offered a last-minute slot for a Well Parc barbecue and she was very disappointed that unfortunately we could not take up the offer as many of the Committee were on holiday or otherwise engaged and there was too little time to prepare a worthwhile event. The Committee expressed gratitude to the Well Parc and hope that we can have a slot next year but with more time to prepare. There was also a suggestion that we could maybe organise some kind of joint event with the Village Hall and split the proceeds.

10. Ground rules/Protocol

The Chairman asked Committee members to make sure that nothing is reported inaccurately about TaWRA business and that, unless it is urgent, Committee business is not to be discussed before the minutes are published. MB will redraft the model rules and meetings protocol from the PATCAG document and circulate it around the Committee.

11. Any other business

Neighbourhood Watch: Stan reported that he has four new volunteer reps. This is an official Neighbourhood Watch village which means we are all eligible for an insurance discount.

Newsletter: We should aim to put another newsletter out by the end of August/early September. It should contain news of the open forum, thanks for the donations received so far, and the next Simple Pleasures instalment. JM to have a draft before the next meeting.

13. Date, time and place of next Committee meeting:

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 26th August in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 10.30pm

MICHAEL BIRD,
Chairman

JANE MYLES,
Secretary