

## **MINUTES OF KINGSEAT COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD VIA ZOOM ON 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2020**

PRESENT: Forbes Stuart, Norman Woolley, Sheila Colville, Margaret Hall, Les Smith, Janet Reid, Carol-Ann Fraser, Cllr Ian Ferguson

APOLOGIES: Cllr Gavin Ellis

No declarations of interest expressed

Minutes of last meeting agreed as correct

### **FINANCE**

Margaret advised that all funding has now been received from FC

### **PARK/DRAINAGE**

Forbes, Les and Sheila met with Karen from FC along with Cllr Law. Karen agreed to send the information to Sheila but unfortunately it is too large to resend so Karen will split it up into 2/3 gobbets and on receipt Sheila will fwd. around everyone. Forbes asked everyone to read it and it will be discussed at a later meeting.

### **KASH**

Forbes will email John to get his up-to-date position and will also keep Josie advised. It was agreed to discuss with him the viability of another leisure facility in the village and that a better option may be a community shop and cafe. We learned from our meeting with Karen that there is a certain reluctance on the part of FC to grant a lease under the current business proposals; members of the Community Council were reluctant to commit themselves to becoming part of the management group given the number of other projects we are involved in.

### **CERTAIN AGE GROUP**

The annual afternoon tea will still take place on 17<sup>th</sup> February, albeit probably a boxed delivery. PPE will be supplied for delivering. Tear off slips will be in the next two Newsletters and should be returned to Sheila to co-ordinate.

### **COALFIELDS FUNDING**

The Community Council has received a grant from Coalfields to purchase PPE for use by Certain Age and Youth Groups to allow doorstep deliveries.

Part of our major funding involved enhancing the Community Centre and this will be discussed in greater detail in the near future.

### **FREW PLACE**

There is no committee as yet to take this project forward but a meeting is scheduled for later this week to discuss future plans.

### **BUS SHELTER/ZEBRA CROSSING**

It appears that work seems to have commenced on the zebra crossing.

## **CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

It was confirmed that Les and Janet have £1000 to spend on Christmas lights. This however is dependent on the outside socket being installed. Cllr Ferguson will chase this up for us.

## **YOUTH GROUP**

Carol-Ann advised everyone of the updated position of the group as follows:

- Query about purchase of speakers. Forbes will email Carol-Ann information on three types of speaker and she will let Forbes know the most suitable. Once they have been used, they will be returned to Forbes for storage.
- The group is looking at acquiring another trailer as they have been asked by another area to borrow theirs.
- They are thinking of having an outdoor party in the park with gazebos and fire pits. Following discussion, it was agreed that this was not a good idea as it would be impossible to maintain social distancing and would contravene maximum number of people and households socialising outdoors.
- Forbes queried the COVID arrangements for the Santa Sleigh. The set up will be two adults at the front and two adults at the back, controlling traffic and ensuring children do not approach the sleigh. There will only be the driver and his son in the car. Santa will throw bags of sweets to the children and they will be asked to stay at the end of their paths. Adults accompanying the sleigh will be appropriately masked. Collection buckets will not be used this year. The group is considering setting up a Fund Me page on Facebook instead. Carol-Ann also confirmed that all of her committee have PVG apart from one, but she is covered through work for the time being. The Santa Sleigh will be going around the village on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December and this will be highlighted in the Newsletter.
- It was agreed that as there will be no party, all children in the village will receive a gift. The names will be requested from Townhill Primary and Queen Anne High Schools, as in the past, and any children not attending these schools will also be included. Carol-Ann is aware of Data Protection and will ensure the lists are kept in a lock fast space. The gifts will be left on doorsteps with person delivering wearing appropriate PPE which the Community Council will provide. The Community Council has £500 to give the Youth Group but this can only be handed over on receipt of their accounts for auditing. Carol-Ann will ensure the accounts are given to Margaret. Carol-Ann will let Forbes know what PPE is required for both Santa Sleigh and gift delivery.
- Les asked about the Christmas tree that has been donated and where it is to be sited. The tree may be 10' which is too large for where it went last year and also the area where it was considered for this year. However, a suitable spot will be found roundabout the Community Centre area and if the socket is installed in time there will be electric lights, otherwise it will have to be the solar lights from last year. Carol-Ann, Les and Janet will work together on this. It was agreed that if we manage to get electric lights then Alan our postie will be asked to do the switch on. Unfortunately, the Community Council cannot have the same event as last year due to COVID therefore Janet and Les will investigate whether we can have a small ceremony without breaching regulations or social distancing rules.

## **AOCB**

- Thanks to Norman for A3 laminator
- Norman will put acknowledgement on website re donations of soil, etc. for Frew Place
- Margaret queried who will pay for trailer that was broken last year at Santa Sleigh
- Janet will set up future Zoom meetings
- Sheila wrote to thank all the wrong people for all the wrong things for Frew Place! This will be rectified.

The next meeting will be held on 15<sup>th</sup> December.