



Minutes of LGVS Committee Meeting Thursday 2 December 2021

Present:

David Whittaker (Chair) (DaveW)
James Bowdidge (Deputy Chair) (JamesB)
David Brimlow (Treasurer) (DavidB)
Lyn Dollimore (LynD)
Josie Gamble (Fete Committee Chair) (JosieG)
Mark Gamble (MarkG)
Harry Harison (HarryH)
Nicci Levy (NicciL)
Emma Stevens (EmmaS)
Jeremy Stirling (JeremyS)
Lynn Trainor (Vicar of All Saints) (LynnT)
Lawrence Dollimore (LawrenceD) - Minutes

Apologies:

Helen Fuller, Nick Trainor, Emma Howden

Venue: Church Hall (thanks to LynnT/EmmaS)

Declarations of interest

For discussion related to school funding, Mark Gamble and Lynn Trainor have declared in previous Minutes they are school governors.

AGENDA

1. Actions from previous meeting

- **Xmas plans**
 - The Xmas tree will be delivered Fri 3 Dec and put up on Sat 4 Dec
 - The blessing, carols and refreshment details are on track and the event will take place from 5pm on Sunday 5 December
 - Committee members are invited by James for a drink at The Hare at 7pm on Thursday 16 December
 - A “flash” carol singing initiative will take place from 5.30 on Tues 21 December, starting by The Hare and proceeding down towards Farnham Lane and then back to The Hare.
 - Light-up Langton – also on track
 - Details of the above will be communicated via the usual channels
- **Gatwick expansion** – the consultation has now closed. Jeremy had issued a briefing to the Committee. West Sussex has also opposed the expansion. Jeremy has received a prompt reply from The Department of Transport
- **Broadband** – Nick is not finding progress with Openreach as straightforward as one would wish
- **Event calendar for 2022** – there was some useful discussion, and the draft calendar is attached. DavidB agreed to lead a small team (DaveW, JamesB)

and EmmaS) to develop the wine tasting proposal for **5th March** (latter is a post-meeting update). **ACTION: DavidB**

2. **Operation Cherry Blossom/Greenleaf**

- There has been significant positive resident feedback about the cherry trees given to each household
- The Committee congratulated JamesB for his considerable efforts to ensure the success of the initiative
- James briefed the Committee on the forthcoming planting of trees on the recreation ground and The Green – see rota issued previously

3. **Financial planning (DavidB)**

- David issued the attached updated spreadsheet listing our current cash balance (£21,899 on 29/11/21), together with possible expenditure up to the end of 2021, and potential incomes and expenditures for 2022
- The estimated 2022 year-end cash balance would be £8,939
- There remain many unknowns:
 - There is no income from a 2022 fete included
 - Any additional income from future donations (incl possible gift aid) is unknown
 - DaveW asked for the meeting venue hire amounts to be removed (since the Church Hall is made available for)
 - Can the existing marquees be sold? **ACTION: to be investigated**
 - Exactly how many new gazebos will be required?
 - By disposing of the marquees, it may make spare space available in the freight container and so negate the need to buy another for tables/chairs
 - £500 for 2 bursaries needs to be added. **ACTION: Lyn** to do piece for LL

4. **Agenda item to be published later**

5. **Committee membership**

- Julius Drake-Brookman has submitted his resignation (happy personal reasons)
- DavidB, after 10 years on the LGVS Committee, wishes to stand down in 2022 as Treasurer and Committee member. **ACTION: A new treasurer is needed**
- The new Treasurer will not require an accounting qualification. Should we get charitable status then no auditing of accounts is required for charities with an annual income below £25,000

6. **Queen's Platinum Jubilee plans**

- The UK Gov has announced a 4-day Bank Holiday from Thursday 4 June to Sunday 7 June
- Josie is planning a dog show, with a cream tea, for Thursday 4 June
- Greg Clark will plant a Jubilee tree but the final date is not yet known

AOB

- **Music** – James said a music programme is being put together for 1Q 2022
- **Mentoring** – no further progress

- **Memorial benches for Dr & Mrs Hoare** – a location on The Green, close to the church fence, has been agreed with Mr & Mrs Caheny. Target installation April 2022
- **Maintenance of benches** – **ACTION: EmmaS** to discuss maintenance possibility with Graham Anderson. Lawrence said the manufacturer of the LGVS benches recommends that its teak benches require only scrubbing with water/detergent and then rinsing and leaving to dry – best done in the Spring
- **Village litter bins** – Dave advised that discussion with SPC has been postponed *pro tem*
- **Security** – Dave is planning to invite a senior local policeman to address a gathering of villagers about village concerns
- **NW** – Ed Langridge has advised that a regional NW organiser (Michael Laidlaw) will be contacting “the Village” about how to reactivate the local network

Next meeting – 7.30pm Monday 10 January – Church Hall

DRAFT 2022 EVENT CALENDAR

MONTH	EVENT
JANUARY	17 Jan – special event
FEBRUARY	Wine tasting – provisionally moved to 5 March (Pavilion Café)
MARCH	AGM + Quiz + music event (the latter during Q1)
APRIL	Easter events 16/17 April, incl egg hunt – also target month for installation of Dr/Mrs Hoare memorial bench
MAY	
JUNE	Queen's Jubilee + dog show and cream tea event + Jubilee tree planting (Thurs 2 to Sun 5 June)
JULY	Village Fete - 2 July
AUGUST	Rude Mechanical Theatre (LGVS assists)
SEPTEMBER	Further bulb planting
OCTOBER	
NOVEMBER	World Cup - related events (21 Nov to 18 Dec)
DECEMBER	Xmas tree + blessing + carols + Light-up Langton (all annual events)

Notes:

Charity launch event - once approved by EGM

Security talk by police representative - to be arranged

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FINANCIAL PROJECTIONS FOR 2022

Langton Green Village - Finances 2021/2022

Notes

Cash balance as at November 29 2021

21,889

Possible spend to end 2021

Langton Life December issue

£300 already spent

Renew liability insurance

£179 already spent

Light up Langton prizes?

Donations?

Church Coffee Morning Donation?

Is this scheduled?

Christmas Tree Blessing event, catering?

Pavilion Café benches

(500)

Admin/website

(100)

Donation for meeting venue use

(50)

Potential income/expenses 2022

Subscriptions [old model]

1,500

Quiz March estimated net profit

600

Greenleaf

(2,000)

James to confirm

Admin [meetings, AGM, langton life, web site]

(2,600)

Includes venue hire £600

Amenities [Hanging Baskets, bulbs, benches]

(1,500)

Outgoings to garden centres etc

Yurts Project [Lynn]?

Fete and/or Party? Estimated net profit

Conservative est £3K - £10K

Sell/dispose of marquees

Probably zero

3m x 6m circa £500 - All Seasons

New gazebos (how many? 6? 8? More?)

(4,000)

Gazebos

New tables/chairs

(1,000)

New container (for tables and chairs)

(1,800)

Additional speeding reactive signs or speed guns?

Maintenance of LGVS-owned amenities

(1,500)

This is additional to above

Balance Year end

8,939

Plus summer event profit contribution
Plus Donations