

Ponteland Community Partnership

Monthly Meeting

Date: 18th October 2017

Venue: Ponteland Town Council Office, Meadowfield, at 7.p.m.

Attending: Alma Dunigan, Shirley Hill, Frank Harrington, Robin Ramsay, Heather Thomas, George Clasper, Mike Brown, Pratima Mehra & Yuvi, Chris Winks, Cllr Alan Hall and Nirmal Sehgal.

1. **Apologies:** Alan Varley.

2. **Minutes:** Passed

3. **Matters Arising:** No reply from NCC re schools consultation.

4. **Community Matters**

The referendum held on 28th September resulted in 96.1% voting yes. A return of 29.6%. Article placed in PN&V. Congratulations to all involved in its production

5. **PCP Financial Report:** HT reported that at 18th October 2017 there is £865.75 in the PCP account.

£35 was paid to Voices for designated person safeguarding training. Insurance premium of £151.20 paid to Merkel via Brokerbility.

6. **Sub Groups:**

- **Management Meetings:** Confirmation of £3.689 grant.
- Community event arrangements are in hand for first activity on 4th November. Discussions have taken place on purchase of 1st pedestal and perch bench from NCC.
- Discussion about imminent Schools Complex application.
- Discussion of future projects and funding sources.
- Communication proposed on 'Facebook'.

Editorial: No meeting.

Projects: Discussed ideas possible places of interest a village Guide for download on the website.

Funding & Financial:

HT had finalised Community Chest Completion Report.

Youth Forum:

Boys Brigade and Air Cadets to be contacted for community projects.

7. Reports from other organisations:

- **Friends of the Park:** No report.
- **Civic Society:** MB reported-Tuesday 31st Presentation to Civic Society in Merton Hall.
- **The Memorial Hall:** RR reported the appointment of new caretaker and assistant Dave and Shona Kelly.
- **Community Trust:** No report.
- **Greenbelt Group:** CW reported more confidence re protection. Schools Plan no longer dependent on Banks.
- **Ageing Well:** NS reported Winter Warmer on 19th October in Merton Hall. 8 stall participants.

A.O.B. SH reported that training for designated safeguarding person was not really relevant to our needs. Caroline Friend would advise as to whether PM could deliver the training instead.

The 30th September 'Celebration of Community Spirit' was opened by Mayor Alan Varley and Marian Foster. Article in PN&V.

HT suggestion of joining the Community Foundation at a cost of £25 agreed unanimously.

Meeting closed at 8.10. Date of next PCP Meeting: 15th November 2017 in PTC Meeting Room at 7.p.m.