

CULLOMPTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the CCA Council meeting convened on Wednesday 20th November 2013

Present

Members of the Council:

Cathy Penharris(Chair), Eileen Andrews (Vice Chair), Nick Savage (Treasurer), Jenny Penharris (Secretary), Sarah Cagney, Rod Crocker, , Moira Lear, Penny Marshall, Brian Mitchell, David , Lynne Read, Ian Scholefield, Marcus Scott

Apologies

John Chard, Pauline Hammett, Christine Jones, John Mapson, Jim McPherson, Julie Metcalf, Janet Sutton Webb, Peter Vile, Debbie Whiteway

Public Question Time

There were no members of the public present.

Agenda items

Minutes of the last council meeting were accepted with one amendment. Should read Kevin Henwood and not Kevin Henson.

Prop: Nick Savage

Sec: Lynne Read

All in favour

Matters Arising

Fence

Nick had received the land registry details which showed the boundary as the hedge. Ongoing and we are still in dispute. Suggested that the fence where barbed wire has been removed should be boarded.

Entrance Track

Agreed that we try and get some quotes in the Spring.

Fundraising

Several ideas were put forward for fundraising next year. Brian Mitchell will check on main sewer and water with a view to the Caravanners camping on a regular basis and will report back at January meeting. **BM**

Several members would be collecting at the Christmas parade.

Cycle Track

Nick reported in the absence of Gordon Guest as they had met to discuss the possibility of a cycle track through the fields. Secretary to write to Devon County Council saying that we would be interested in moving forward with this. **JP**

Finance

Nick had circulated the Treasurer's Report for November 2013 and revised budget for 2014 which had been reduced by £500 as the ditching would not need to be done.

We had raised £127.67 at Tesco.

Prop: Moira Lear Sec: Penny Marshall All in favour

Trees

Cathy thanked Penny's friend Charles Goff for cutting round the oak trees and alongside the entrance track. Penny suggested removing all the oak trees, most of which had been vandalised or had died, and replacing with 1 yr old trees with individual roots, shelter guards and new posts from Exmoor Trees at a cost of £62.50 + VAT, plus a sign. Any of the old trees which had survived to be put in the Jubilee Wood. Agreed that Penny be given £100 to cover all this.

Prop: Cathy Penharris Sec: Eileen Andrews All in favour

Sarah Cagney and Penny Marshall to liaise regarding offer of 500-5000 wildflower seeds which could be scattered in the top field. Penny had already planted some yellow rattle seed.

Chairman's Business

- Ditches – Cathy, Jenny and Ian had cleared the overhanging branches over the ditches and they had been cleared.
- Bridges & Track – Hopefully work on the track will start beginning of December and Jimmy will work with them to repair the bridges
- Rail Track – Stones will not be cleared – Cathy will speak to Steve Densham, MDDC
- Grass cutting – We had heard back from Football Club that they did not have the manpower to cut the main field. Sarah said her husband would like to know asap if we wished him to purchase a new mower. He would be able to service the machine for us. Suggested we ask John Chard if we can use his machine in future. Cathy to contact him and let committee know, if not she requires authorisation to purchase a new one. Cost would be £1500-£2000 + service maintenance.

Prop: Lynne Read Sec: Ian Scholefield All in favour

- Request from West of England Collie Dog Club that they use our fields for one day next year. Agreed that we charge £150 including parking.
- Offer from MDDC – to await results of Flood Risk Assessment.

AOB

Lynne spoke about the swimming pool survey which also asks about the £1 on the Council Tax bill for the CCA. This needs to be put forward to the Town Council by the end of the year. Helpers required with distributing and completing the survey.

Penny Marshall asked for any spare carpet to go round the new trees.

Ian reminded that the Agenda needs to be put on the website each month.

Meeting closed at 9pm. Next meeting **7 pm Wednesday 15th January 2014.**