

WILLITON WAR MEMORIAL RECREATION GROUND & WILLITON PARISH COUNCIL

Charity No: 211212

Minutes of the Events sub-committee held on Wednesday 8th November 2023 at 7.00pm in The Quantock Room, Williton Pavilion

Attendees:

Councillors: Howes (Chairman) Aldridge and Payne

Clerk: Mrs M Francis

Other: Mrs Liz Greenway, Mrs Liz Payne, Mr Rob Hay, Mrs Glynis Maule, Mr Guy Morgan, Mr David Moore, Mr Steve Coles,

Apologies:

Councillors: Whetlor, White

Public: Mrs Sylvia Jeromson and Mr Robert McDonald

23/85C **Apologies** - As noted above.

23/86C **Approval of minutes of the last meeting held on 11th October 2023** – approved.

Further comments from Quiz Night – some of the hot plates on the cooker were hotter than others – this could have been due to the pots being used. Foxes would be asked if they have noticed any problems. A list of what was sold from the bar would be kept after each event, to give an indication of what would be needed the next time the event was run.

23/87C **Report from Crafty Stash Jumble held on 29th October and set date for future events**

14 tables had been sold. Noted that fewer visitors attended this time.

Decided to hold once a year and make it an annual event to coincide with the Easter Egg Hunt.

Possible date 31st March 2024 (TBC)

Trustee would be asked to fund a banner for 'Crafty Stash Sale'

Ian would look at an electronic sign

23/88C **Royal British Legion Concert** – Saturday 11th November 2023 (Joint RBL & WWMRG)

Currently 52 tickets were available from the Parish Office and the Post Office

Set up from 3pm, with doors opening from 6pm.

Band to be in the Brendon Room and Daisy to be in the Quantock Room – all set up with refreshments, as last year. RBL had organised the sandwiches

Bar – pre-ordered drinks for interval – raffle tickets to be used with booking form for orders –

Dawn-Lesley will sort

Tea, coffee and soft drinks to be served

Dawn-Lesley available to help in Kitchen, Rob would be on the door, Steven and Ian will organise parking, Ian A also available to help.

Remembrance Service – approximately 30 chairs to be set out on hard standing – set up for 10am. Refreshments would be served from 10am. Uniformed youth groups were parading

23/89C **Christmas Events**

23/89.1C Decorating the Hall – date was set for the 25th November 2023 at 3pm

23/89.2C Christmas Craft Market – 26th November 2023 – (WWMRG) – 2pm – 4pm

- Set up from 11am, mid-day for stall holders. Bookings for stands were being received.
- Refreshments will be served (Tea, coffee, mince pies) Glynis and Liz had volunteered.
- Raffle would be held – using the donated necklace. Stall holders would be asked for donation.

23/89.3C Christmas Trees and Lights (WPC)

- WDBA would collect trees on 24th November and had asked the Fire Brigade to help put them up. Bellamy's Corner tree was hopefully being donated from Styles Ice-cream.
- Please meet on 25th November at the Parish Office to help with the lights and trees from 9am, then Bellamys Corner from 10am. Ian gave his apologies

- Lights in trees, 3 in particular, on Risdon side of Fore Street – would require battery lights.
- Letters had been sent to businesses asking if they would like a Christmas tree and advising events on 7th December, also asking if they would like to open for late night shopping
- Multi coloured lights agreed by Parish Council and would be ordered
- The Church were arranging a banner for Bellamys Corner

23/89.4C Santa Parade and Santa Sledge (WPC) – Thursday 7th December, 6pm – 8pm

- Joe Biscoe had offered his pony and trap for Santa, he has agreed to decorate the trap with lights – he would be asked if he would dress as an Elf
- Shops had been asked to have 'Late Night Opening'
- There had been no response from the Police regarding rolling road closure for parade, nor any volunteers from Wessex 4x4, therefore, the parade would not take place – but Santa will go around part of the village on the Pony & Trap. Route to be discussed with the driver, hoping to start at 5pm.
- Dawn-Lesley would liaise with Santa
- Tables – needs to be advertised as not many to date
- Grotto – based on the same as last year – Grotto to open at 6.30pm
- Tombola and refreshments to be organised – to be ticketed on Monday 4th December
- Stalls open 6pm – 8pm
- Presents to be checked Monday 13th November – Liz P and Dawn-Lesley
- Wrapping Monday 4th December 10am in Parish Office
- Church had been asked to do children's activities and would be asked to do the refreshments
- Decorate Grotto Tuesday 5th December 2023 at 2pm – access would have to be made through the changing room doors.

23/90C Race Night (WWMRG)

- Date confirmed as the 27th January 2024 – doors to open at 6.30pm - first race at 7.30pm
- 3 races, then a break, then another 3 races
- Dawn-Lesley will produce a poster
- Price - £4.00 to include 1 free drink
- All fundraising events and tickets need to say where the money goes
- Only food and drink purchased at event – include on all tickets, due to licensing laws

23/91C "What's on in Williton" – Saturday 24th February 2024 - 10am – 12 noon

- Date and time were noted.
- Letters to be sent inviting groups to attend.
- Croquet would be set up outside.
- Events committee to have a stall to say what they do, where the money goes and ask for volunteers.

23/92C Garage Sale (WWMRG)

The idea would be along the lines of the Open Gardens – tables are put out in people's own gardens, they pay to be included on a map and the maps are sold. Refreshments could be served from the pavilion. Possibly include a Treasure Hunt on the maps for children, with an anagram to solve. A date would be set at a future meeting.

23/93C 80th Anniversary of the D-Day landings - 6th June 2023 (WPC) 9.15pm

No further update – notes from last meeting:

Details had been received from Bruno Peeks, Pageant Master. National guidelines will be followed. The International Tribute will be read – suggested to involve others, such as Head Boy and Girl at Danesfield, Brownies, Cubs, Cadets etc.

Beacons to be lit at 9.15pm

Cadets to be approached to ask if they could do a 'firing of 3 blanks'

A cake would be supplied, along the lines of the Jubilee.

23/94C Williton Village Open Gardens

Dawn-Lesley would hold a meeting, possibly in March 2024, with garden owners to plan out the event and set a date.

23/95C Film Club

Due to the problem with the hall projector, this would be put on hold, until the projector had been mended. Dawn-Lesley had some ideas of suitable films and would advise when films could start again.

23/96C Other Ideas for Events

Last Night at the Proms – look at for 2024

Treasure Hunt on foot

Dinner and Dance – Valentine's Ball? Look at in the autumn

Scarecrow and Cream Tea

Village Crier – Steve would put a proposal together and ask for the Parish Council's agreement, due to being an official civic position

23/97C Date of Next Meeting –

Wednesday 13th December 2023 at the Pavilion

Dates to note:

11th November – set up from 3pm

25th November – decorate Christmas trees from 9am

25th November - decorate hall at 3pm

4th December – present wrapping and tombola ticketing – Parish Office, 10am

5th December – decorate Grotto at 2pm

Meeting closed 8.50 pm

Signed Cllr Howes

Dated 13th December 2023