

WILLITON WAR MEMORIAL RECREATION GROUND & WILLITON PARISH COUNCIL

Charity No: 211212

**Minutes of the Events sub-committee held on Wednesday 12 June 2024
At 7.00pm in the Quantock Room, Williton Pavilion**

Attendees:

Councillors: Howes (Chairman) & Payne

Other: Mrs Elizabeth Payne, Mrs Glynis Maule, Mr Guy Morgan , Mrs L Greenway, Ms L Barlow, Miss K Richards & Mr Steve Coles

Apologies:

Councillors: Whetlor & Aldridge

Clerk: Mrs M Francis

In the absence of the Clerk, Mrs Elizabeth Payne agreed to take the minutes.

24/19C Apologies:- As noted above.

24/20C Approval of the minutes of the last meeting held on 8 May 2024 - Approved

24/21C Correspondence – None
Cllr Howes informed the meeting that she would be retiring from the Committee at the end of the year. Cllr Payne outlined the terms of reference for the committee in that there should be two councillors representing the Parish Council and two representing the Trustees and that they could not be the same people. Concern was expressed in the lack of trust in councillors being able to wear two hats, especially as there was a lack of willingness to come on to the Events Committee. Also that a Councillor should be either the chair or vice chair.

24/22 C Williton Village Open Gardens and Craft Fair 2 June (WWMRG) Report:
Open Gardens: One garden pulled out leaving 11. A good number of people attended.
Map: It was noted that a group of people were only buying one map, it need to be clearer that it is a ticket for entry, so one each is necessary. The times should be separated from the house numbers for clarity. The different timings were confusing 12 noon to 5.00pm was suggested.
Craft Fair: There was low footfall, however the refreshments worked well.

24/23 C 80th Anniversary of the D Day Landings:
The Service in the morning was well attended with Bishop Nigel Stock giving a moving address, a wreath on behalf of the Parish Council and RBL was laid by the Parish Council Chairman. The afternoon cream teas were well attended and the display about D Day provoked interest. The Beacon was lit exactly on time, preceded by readings from the uniformed youth groups. The cake, baked and decorated by Glenmore Bakery was much admired and enjoyed by those present. Thanks were expressed to the cadets for their input especially helping with chairs, table and water buckets.
A query was raised about the lack of any activity for young people after school, it was pointed out that the Youth Club use the Pavilion in the evening so not available. Also the volunteers were at full stretch organising and working on the events of the day.

The hedge behind the beacon is vulnerable, it was suggested that Fire Blankets would protect it.

The display on Bellamy's Corner was commended, thanks to be sent to Brenda and Tad on the Parish Council's behalf. Michelle to be asked to do this. It was decided that the display should stay up at least to the end of June.

Display / competition in the shop windows - it was reported that a shopkeeper had not been very helpful.

No news yet re Celebrating the end of the war in 2025.

24/24C

Garage Sale Sunday 21 July (WWMRG)

24/24.1C

Nine have booked so far so feasible to proceed. Maps will be produced free and available for the usual outlets. A poster will be provided for each property, hours 12 noon -5.00pm so no confusion with times. If possible a QR code will be sourced.

24/25C

Now & Then Exhibition Sunday 28 July 2024 10.00 -4.00pm

24/25.1C

There will be a short film in the Brendon Room, Peter will be there at 8.30 for set up

Refreshments: 10 -12 Dawn 12 – 2 Liz 2-4 Steve C

The Taylors will help with set-up. 18 /19 exhibitors to date.

24/26C

Village Fete – Saturday 31 August 2024 (WWMRG)

24/26.1C

Schedules: Need to check if a top up is needed.

24/26.2C

Main arena: All in hand. Brompton Regis Morris are a possibility.

24/26.3C

Stalls: More are needed. A 'Shooting Range' was seen at a local fete this to be investigated by Guy Morgan. Dave Milton to be contacted re Punch & Judy.

24/26.4C

Village Crier: Guy Morgan has put his name forward. Kilve are believed to hire out a Village Crier; Steve will investigate. Re Costume may be an AM Dram group would have something to hire/borrow.

24/26.5C

Dog Show: No report

24/26/6/C

Bar: Pimm's Bar plus the Main Bar: option will be limited with emphasis on long dated choices which can then be used for the November event. Primarily Beer and cider. Helpers are needed for the bar which will be near the Barn as last year. Need to look at breakdown of last years sales to finally decide.

24/27C

Film Club (WWMRG) update:

After investigation it was found that no power is getting to the projector, when the connection were by passed the projector was working, the temporary arrangement is not suitable for general use, testing purposes only.

Manchip electricians to be contacted.

24/28 & 29C

Other Events using the Projector: To be discussed when a projector is available.

24/30C

Memory Walk:

The date was fixed for Sunday 29 September.

PP & LG to liaise on details.

Refreshments will be in The Pavilion GM, LB & SC offered to help.

24/31C

Fun Run: Date to be either 8 or 15 September.

Possibility of starting and finishing at the church. MF to liaise with Nigel Ridler.

24/32C

Royal British Legion – Military Wives Choir Sunday 11 November 2024

All in hand

24/33C Christmas Events Sunday 1 December only.

24/33.1C Santa Sledge: Nothing to report.

24/33.2C Frost Fair: to use the Car Park area near the Public Toilets, this will avoid crossing the road.
To borrow gazebos from Minehead Eye. To ask Graham Scott re borrowing his Marquee.
The Traders would need lighting LG & KR to investigate.
Would the Library host book reading?
Timing to be decided.

24/34C Other:

Williton Window Village Magazine: Cllr Payne highlighted that the magazine urgently needs new editor from August otherwise there is a likelihood it would fold at a great loss to the village.

Steve Coles circulated draft flyer for recruiting volunteers, this was thought be a good idea.

24/35C The next meeting will be on Wednesday 10th July 2024

The meeting closed at 8.40pm

Signed: Cllr Howes 10th July 2024