

ECCLESTON PARISH COUNCIL VILLAGE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the meeting held on 25 January 2017 at The Football Changing Rooms, Drapers Avenue, Ecclestone.

Present Cllrs H Thomas (Chairman), L Armstrong and M Miller.

01.17 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr V Counce

02.17 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

03.17 Minutes of the Meeting held on 16 November 2016

Resolved: the Minutes (as circulated) be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

04.17 Live Music Performance

The Chris Bannister performance will take place on 10 February 2017 at St Agnes Church Hall. Ticket prices were confirmed at £10 and the Post Office has agreed to handle ticket sales. The licence has been granted. Arrangements for the provision of the licensed bar were discussed and similar stocks to previous concerts are to be bought.

05.17 Review of Lancashire Night

Members reviewed the event in November in Bateman Hall. The event was staged at no cost to the Council, with income of £1028.90 from ticket sales of £670.00 and bar sales of £358.90 and expenses of £1015.21 left a small surplus of £13.69.

Feedback from residents attending the event had been very positive and Members were keen to repeat the event this year. Enquiries are to be made regarding the availability of the performers for Saturday 25 November.

06.17 Events for 2017

Suggestions for events included a Ceilidh for 22 April 2017 to be held at St Agnes Hall. Members with contacts with local bands are to check on availability.

Members were keen to put on a fair around 15th and 16th July on the Bradley Lane field. Due to the previous lack of support from village organisations it was decided it should be solely a fairground and operators are to be contacted on this basis.

Members also wished to stage a Picnic in the Park on the Recreation Ground at the end of August with families bringing their own food and drinks. A suggestion was put forward to include live music, performed using a tautliner for a stage. A post is to be put on the local Facebook page to gauge the level of interest.

The staging of a Best Kept Garden Competition, preferably in conjunction with St Mary's Open Garden event, was discussed. St Mary's are to be asked whether they would agree to this.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.