

# Longparish Community Association

**Meeting: Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2006 at 20.00 at Meadow View courtesy of Gloria Goodliffe**

## **06/94 Present:**

Chair Fiona Gould, Jeremy Barber, Christine Beresford, Patrick Beresford, Alix Bremridge (part time), Wendy Ellicock (part time), Gloria Goodliffe, Andy Smith.

## **06/95 Review of actions since October and November meeting**

### **Carry forwards:-**

Child protection policy-**Fiona**

First aid course-**Fiona**

e-mail address for LCA –**David Gould and Christine Beresford**

Other actions completed

## **06/96 Treasurers report**

David was unable to attend the meeting but sent along a report. Balance as of 10<sup>th</sup> Dec stands at £3155.28.

Main outgoings

- Skiffle orchestra £230
- Food and drink from village shop £276.27
- Moviola film hire £335
- Youth group equipment 42.65
- Hall hire £175

All expenses apart from Youth group are more than covered by the associated income for activities

Moviola net income (excluding food and drink) £49.00

Skiffle evening net income (including food and drink) £186.60

Food and drink net income £77.03

Total costs of Kidzone currently stands at £557.52 for the year. Insurance £314.82 and licences and affiliations £208.50 are our major costs.

When ordering from the shop you MUST sign for goods. INSIST on signing all paperwork in the shop so that we have evidence of stock being ordered by LCA. **Action - all**

Stock control needs to be formally documented. The whereabouts of all stock should be known.

**Action. Gloria:** Do a stock take and circulate list. Retrieve stock that is not securely stored on own premises.

We need a Gift Aid Secretary. Patrick Beresford has experience of this procedure and kindly offered to undertake the task.

## **06/97 Membership**

Christine reported that we now have 241 members.

## **06/98 Update on LCA activities**

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**06/98a Moviola-** We are delighted that Emma Smith is taking over responsibility for the running of Moviola evenings. Emma sent a report. Main points include :-

- Extra volunteers have come forward to help
- Films for the next quarter have been reserved
- Emma is encouraged by the numbers attending the evenings.
- There were some issues with full priced tickets for the children's film

Overall Emma is happy to proceed with Moviola as a village activity and feels that it will be a success.

The LCA want to support and encourage Emma in the future. Should it be necessary LCA will subsidise films in the next quarter.

**06/98b Walks-** Dates for walks have been planned for January and February. Wendy announced that from March onwards she would be too busy to continue planning and leading the walks. If nobody came forward the activity would have to fold.

John Ellicock is proposing to lead longer, all-day walks on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month on some of our national footpaths. Details will be published in H+V.

**06/98c Coffee mornings-** these events are continuing at different venues and locations. The next one is at Blacksmiths Bridge House on Jan 4<sup>th</sup> at 10.30. Details of walks and coffee mornings appear on the LCA sheet and are announced in the H+V.

**06/98d L2SOTM** Well attended. Jack Ellicock has been providing a bottle of wine for the most improved male and a box of chocolates for the most improved female. This is to change soon and a cup, which is held for a month only, will be presented the most improved runners. The setting up of the course and taking down of the signs is getting faster and more efficient.

**Action: David Gould?** We need to think about e mail contacts for the various activities. Maybe set up an interests list.

**06/98e Christmas Quiz-** The quiz is now printed and bound. Costs were £100. The prize is £100. Each quiz costs £5 for 500 questions. Committee members were urged to purchase four. Copies available in the shop.

**06/98f Hog the Limelight-** A meeting at Winchester was attended by Gloria where changes to the way that grants are given starting in April 2007 were explained. Our village has been granted funding of up to £500 for Hog events for the year 2007/2008. More information to follow after the showcase in April.

## **06/99 Brief reports**

**06/99a Community hall management progress-** the Governors finance committee are not yet ready to share the marginal costings, on which the hall charges are based, with us. Jeremy suggested that we, the LCA, should remain open in our thinking and be ready to take on the running of the community hall should the Governors see fit to hand over the responsibility. Other members on the committee were not sure that it would be appropriate to administer the use of the facilities if we did not believe the usage policy and pricing was fair to the community.

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**Action: by Village Hall committee (Gloria)** - sort out a policy on 3<sup>rd</sup> party use of the alcohol licence in the village hall.

**06/99b School pavement-** Andrew Milne has identified our need of a pavement as a priority. Usually 99% of landowners are willing to accommodate HCC when a small amount of land is required for a pavement. However in this case the land owner has so far proved unwilling to help. Hampshire will continue discussions but, if necessary to procure the land needed, it may take the route of compulsory purchase.

**06/99c Village Hall improvement plans-** The Parish Council have approved up to £3000 to undertake a feasibility study of the village hall. Christopher Duxbury is working on a standard letter of specific needs that will be sent out to tender. In the meantime users of the hall have been asked for their views and a prioritised list of their wants has been made.

**06/99d Housing exhibition-** Attended by 160 people. All the comments are posted on the web and are available to read at the shop. There will be a report in the next issue of H+V. Three types of views can be identified from the comments at the exhibition 1) anti, 2) for, 3) value the initiative but have concerns. The majority of the village probably fall within the last category. The housing group have talked to TVBC Housing and Planning Depts about the concerns of parishioners. The group are encouraging TVBC to hold early talks with landowners and an open forum will be planned for early in 2007. The forum will be chaired by an independent moderator and will be assisted by housing needs and planning experts.

Key messages from the exhibition

- 1) Concern over number of houses to be built with the balance of affordable to open market houses. At the moment suggesting 12 affordable homes with up to 6 open market homes.
- 2) Concern over a two phase development-probably will not get whole village support. Having heard the comments made during the consultation so far and spoken to planners, the Housing Group will no longer support the idea of a second phase.

The group will take advice from planners on getting the best mix of homes. Although the present proposal of 12 affordable houses would not completely meet the need identified in the last housing survey it is seen as being a reasonable compromise – providing homes for a number of people, whilst limiting the impact on the village environment.

It is the role of the LCA to facilitate, aid discussion and debate within the community. It is not the place for discussion on housing policies.

**06/99e KidzZone-** Still doing well with an average of 18 youngsters attending each meeting. The group have had two outings now, one bowling and one to Laserquest. Work is still on going with training for the helpers and the child protection policy. Soon there will be a drive to involve more volunteers to help on the evenings that the club operates.

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## 06/100 Discuss and agree :

**06/100a Key target activities for next year** –a short discussion took place on what projects we might need money for and how much we should ask the Parish Council for in the coming year. It was agreed that we should ask for significantly less money in the coming year as we had a good start-up help from them last year.

**Actions:** **Everyone** to email Fiona with suggestions for activities that would need funding. ASAP

**Christine and Fiona** to get together and taking the e mailed suggestions into consideration to come up with a bid that can be taken to the PC. Also to look at external funding bodies.

## 06/100b Planning and organisation in the light of discussion with Allison Angell

February 8<sup>th</sup> was identified as most suitable date for the branding evening to be led by Alison Angell.

**Action:** **Fiona** to contact Alison to check her needs for the evening and then a venue will be found to meet her needs.

## Dates for the diary:

Test Valley Association of Community Associations at Romsey on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January. Andy agreed to represent us.

Becoming Visible in Portsmouth on 18<sup>th</sup> January. Nobody thought that this would be useful to our group at the moment.

18<sup>th</sup> January at 20.00h –next LCA meeting at Queens Anne Cottage Forton courtesy of Jeremy Barber.

The meeting closed at EXACTLY 22.00h! (*Do I get a prize? F*)