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<u>Minutes of Meeting 8 November at 20.00 held at Yew Tree House courtesy of David Wright</u>

Present. Fiona Gould, Christine Beresford, David Wright, Andrew Smith, Jeremy Barber, Alix Bremridge. Andrea Hulme attended for Item 1.

Apologies: Patrick Beresford.

1.KidzZone

Andrea explained that after a larger initial attendance, 10-15 now attend on average. There are 4 regular helpers and 2 or 3 parents have offered help. Training for volunteers or help from professional leaders was discussed but felt unnecessary at the moment.

£170 raised from the summer gig which helped towards a Go-Karting trip. £120 held in petty cash, Andrea to forward £95 to David.

Test Valley Communication Association network offering some equipment.

Action : Andy and possibly Andrea to attend TVCAN meeting.

The LCA wished to formally record their thanks and appreciation for all the hard work and commitment that Andrea and Martin and the others have put in to make KidzZone happen.

2. Membership

Christine reported that she had received 2 generous donations to the LCA so far. Agreed that a letter of thanks should be sent. Action: Christine to let David know the details so that letters of thanks could be sent on behalf of the LCA.

Jeremy proposed producing membership cards. Agreed provided it did not prove too onerous for Jeremy. Andy to help with distribution. *Action Jeremy*.

Agreed to keep membership fees the same.

Jeremy to pass the form to David Gould so that it can be emailed to members. Jeremy also to place on home page of website. **Action Jeremy**

3. Treasurer's Report

David reported a current balance of £3,273. 'Dinner at Mirandolina's Inn' had made a clear profit of £825. Expenses - £175 to KidzZone for the Village Hall and £96 for the events diary.

Jeremy confirmed that bids to the Parish Council need to be completed by mid-December. Agreed to bid as last year for funding specifically for KidZone and

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activities or facilities for elderly residents. Action: David to write to the Parish Council to thank the Council for this year's funding and how it was used and to make similar request for next year.

4. Community Hall

Jeremy reported on a positive 'clear the air' meeting with the school Governor responsible for the Community Hall who recognised that things had got off on the wrong foot. Still some processes to resolve regarding booking and hall management. The Management Committee is to be re-launched with new Terms of Reference. Gina from Village Hall will join the Management Committee – would be good to have LCA representative. Proposed that Patrick would take on this role. (David agreed to if Patrick unable). **Action:** *Fiona to ask Patrick if he would represent the LCA on the Management Committee.* David Gould to attempt build up good relations with Sue, the new Community Hall coordinator to ensure the licensing obligations are met.

5. Activities

Moviola - Longparish not attracting sufficient audience to be kept on by Moviola. Andy has written to Moviola expressing disappointment at the goal-posts having been moved and requesting reconsideration.

Action: Andy to ask Emma if she would lead a small group to look at alternatives (see Christine's email about the Fecken Odeon).

'Hog the Limelight' - The meeting expressed their huge thanks to Fiona for the success of Dinner at Mirandolina's Inn – a major & complex organisational undertaking! 'Diary of a Nobody' booked for 3pm Sunday 2nd March at the Village Hall. £5 per ticket – lower key on the organisational front (tea and cakes).

Nature Rambles – to go ahead this summer

Walks Leaflets – very popular. 5 - 15 people attended each of the organised events.

L2SOTM – going well. Good steady core attendance.

Activities for the Elderly – recognised that not a great deal done of late. Agreed that should place an article in H&V asking for ideas. **Action: Fiona to write piece for H&V.** Agreed to ask Parish Council for the £300 and a further £300 subject to good use if the first amount. **Action: David to formally ask the Parish Council. Action: Fiona to ask Jill McHenry for ideas.** Suggested that a shopping tip to Winchester could be arranged and that Maggie Barber could drive a minibus.

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Summer Event – Article to be placed in H&V asking for volunteers and ideas. Andy to act as contact.

Christmas Quiz – Jeremy to organise as before and to include a 'lighter' version.

6. AGM

Provisional Date Wednesday 11 June

7. AOB

Alix to step down as a member of the Committee with effect from the AGM. Members expressed their gratitude to Alix for all the work she has undertaken to support the LCA.

Action: All to suggest possible new members of the Committee.

Agreed to keep the Events Diary and to fund as necessary.

8. Date of Next Meeting

Next meeting is 17 January 2008 at Jeremy's.

And then 13 March 2008.

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