

## **SWANLAND VILLAGE ASSOCIATION**

### **Committee meeting: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2015**

The meeting started at 7:30pm

**OPEN FORUM:** There were two attendees, Graham Latter and Mal Cracknell.

GRAHAM discussed the replacement of the **Swanland Signpost** information booklet which has not been reprinted since 2008. He suggested having no adverts except for inner covers and back cover, with the cover inner & outer being in colour and the inner pages black and white (the centre pages map to be in colour). He estimated the cost for up to 2000 booklets to be £900-1100; there would be some revenue from adverts but would need the remaining cost to be met by the SVA. This was discussed and agreed by the committee. Graham asked that Marion be the liaison member, as she was absent from the meeting she will be asked at a later date.

Graham suggested the agenda for SVA meetings is posted on the website as well as the minutes; this was agreed.

MAL reported on Swanland in Bloom and the committee was delighted to hear that Mal has agreed to continue OPEN GARDENS for next year's SWANLAND FESTIVAL. The recent garage sale raised £388.60, there were 30 sellers and 250 visitors.

**APOLOGIES:** Marion Escreet, Louise Macfarlane, Richard Fowler

**PRESENT:** Jan Rogerson, Yvonne Dumsday, Belinda Jones, Angela Carpenter, Val Anderson, Julie Swift, Linda Mitchelson, Karen Cowing, Kate Grant.

**406. Minutes from 10.03.2015:** The minutes were approved

#### **407. Matters Arising:**

ITEM 392. RE: Swanland Village Hall 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary day on 20<sup>th</sup> June. The committee agreed to man a stall from 11am – 4pm to advertise the SVA, encourage new members and enlist potential volunteers.

Karen: 10-11am to help set up and 2-4pm with Julie

Linda 11am-12pm, Angela 12-1pm, Jan 1-2pm

ITEM 402. The newsletter has now been produced and the committee thanked Marion (editor) and Angela (distribution) for their hard work; it was noted the newsletter was excellent.

**408. Correspondence:** Thank you letter has been sent to Mr Tyson for his kind and generous donation of plants for the village and to Deepdale nurseries for their work producing the hayracks.

**409. Donation from parish Council:** Jan reported that the Paris Council has donated 2x £ 800 which is to be used for a new village sign. The total cost for the sign will be £2274 and the SVA agreed to fund the extra cost.

**410. Compiling list of casual SVA volunteers:** Julie suggested keeping a list of people who would be willing to help at SVA events; it was felt the forthcoming Village Hall Anniversary day would be a good way to enlist volunteers.

**411. Contact the elderly scheme:** Julie explained about a local scheme where volunteers open their home to elderly people for a social event. It was agreed that Julie would contact the scheme organiser to discuss whether they would be willing to advertise the scheme in the SVA newsletter.

**412. Treasurer's Report:** Belinda reported that £10387 is currently held in the bank; this includes monies for HISTORY GROUP (£1408), WILDLIFE GROUP (£792), OPEN GARDENS (£1337), donation to BOWLING CLUB (£125) and short fall in funding next village sign (£674).

**413. Membership Report:**

**SVA membership:** Following insertion of the pink form in the Spring newsletter there had been an increase in membership renewals plus some new memberships. In late May the total membership was 357 (in 2014 the total at the end of the year was 378). To date income from donations & membership is £850 (in 2014 total for entire year was £ 853). The system of Yvonne's house as post box and delivery of membership cards by Roy Kennington worked well.

**Business membership:** There are now 23 business members, this includes 6 new memberships.

**414. Reports from other committee members:** Linda reported a reduction in volunteers on the litter picking rota to 32; she will advertise for new volunteers on the 20<sup>th</sup> June and write an article for the next newsletter.

**415. Swanland Screen/LIVE:** There are no events during the summer break.

**416. Pond Partnership:** Work to repair the leak has now been completed on the east side of the pond. The next works will be on the west side.

**417. Swanland in Bloom:** Mal reported that *Colleta & Tyson* have donated 800 plants for the village. A thank you from the SVA and Swanland in Bloom has been sent to Mr Tyson.

Two new volunteers: BRENDAN RILEY & LINDA MITCHELSON have joined MAL, PETER DICKINSON, SUE SMART and MARION ESCREET.

11 HAYRACKS from Park Road in Cottingham have been delivered. Stanifords have funded 2 of these and Ewens funded 1.( The cost was £30 each hayrack)

The large duck population is continuing to damage the plants.

The willow tree by the pond needs cutting back; this will be discussed further by the Parish Council.

The planters outside Christ Church will need replacing next year.

**418. Newsletter:** Thanks were given to Angela and Marion for producing / distributing the latest newsletter.

**419. Heritage Centre:** The centre is currently open Friday afternoons and Saturday mornings. There is fund raising in June for the Heritage Centre at the Willerby Waitrose store.

**420. Welcome packs update:** Kate reported that she has now moved out of Swanland and due to work commitments is unable to continue the role of welcome pack organiser / distributor, this role remains vacant. Karen agreed to look after the packs and the committee will look out for new residents until the role is filled. Kate wishes to remain on the committee & help the SVA when she is able to. Contents for the packs will be discussed at the next meeting

**421. A.O.B.:** Possible speakers for the AGM were discussed.

The meeting finished at 9:40pm

The next meeting is THURSDAY OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup> at Swanland Village Hall, commencing at 7:30pm.

