

Cornforth Community Centre Management Committee Meeting 16th April 2007

Present: Mr P Ferguson (in the chair), Ms R Bellingham, Mrs E Bowerbanks, Mrs B Brown, Mrs D Bussey, Mr B Clinton, Mrs C Clinton, Mrs H P Drew, Mrs A Ferguson, Ms L Goldsmith, Mrs C Liddle, Mr G Milner, Mrs L Parkins, Mrs R Richardson, Mrs J Stephenson, Mrs S Traynor and Miss V Weir

Apologies: Mr T Cutmore and Ms K Lynn

The meeting was opened at 6:35pm by Mrs Traynor.

Minutes of meeting 27th March 2007

Moved by Bellingham and approved.

Matters arising

Mrs Richardson apologised that she had been unable to help at the Spring Fair. Mrs Drew reported that the Fair had raised £486.02 made up of :- Door £29.05; Hamper £43; Thursday Club £25; Toys & Books, Tin Can Alley, Plants & Cards £28.15; Raffle 104; Co-op Guild £35; Fancy goods & Cakes £75.70; Bric-a-brac £19.67; Tombola £76 and Teas £50. Mrs Parkins said the Coffee Shop had held a raffle and guess-bunny's-name raising another £140 making the total £626.02. Mr Ferguson thanked everybody for contributing to the success.

Mrs Goldsmith reported that the Tuck Shop, which had run during the sports coaching sessions, held during the holidays, had broken even on the money laid out by the Friends to buy supplies of drinks, hot dogs, sweets etc. There was however plenty left for another occasion.

Correspondence

Mr Eric Southwick, the independent examiner for the accounts, had written to say that his practice had merged with another.

Mrs Drew said that she could do telephone banking with the Co-operative Bank if the Committee approved. It meant she could check on balances even if the call centre was closed and would be able to do things like changing Direct Debits, which a present needed a letter with two signatures, on her own. The Committee agreed

Accounts

Mrs Drew presented the accounts for March and answered questions.

Other business

Mr Milner brought up the People's Millions as a possible grant source. Mrs Goldsmith had also noted it and brought documentation.

Mr Ferguson wanted to set dates for the celebration of 40 years of the Association. It was decided that on Friday 1st June there would be a Entertainment/Disco for adults; on Thursday 28th June there would be a Junior Disco where a Carnival Queen would be chosen; Saturday 30th June would be a Carnival Day; on Friday 6th July there would be a Brass Band evening with pie and peas. Mrs Goldsmith and Mrs Ferguson said that the Friends would get Drinks Licences for the Karaoke and Brass Band nights.

Mrs Parkins told everyone that the Calor Gas judges for the Best Village would be visiting the village on Wednesday 24th April at 2pm. Mrs Bellingham said everyone was welcome to attend to show how everyone was engaged in the village.

Sedgefield Borough's LIP programme was discussed. Mrs Drew would see if we could go to it for the accessible toilet and moving the kitchen

Mrs Drew was asked to write to the Parish Council with a request for them to provide three litter bins, two for field and one for picnic area .

Mr Ferguson reported that he had been approached by Coxhoe Juniors football team who were looking for somewhere to train on Tuesday evening and were thinking of becoming affiliated. The members felt this was good but wanted to make sure that there would be times available for any Cornforth team who may need the facilities. This point was taken on board.

The meeting was closed at 7:40 pm by Ms Bellingham.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 22nd May 2007 at 6:30pm.