

West Cornforth Community Centre Management Committee Meeting 25th September 2007

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

Apologies: Mrs D Bussey, Mr T Cutmore, Ms K Lynn, Mrs L Parkins, Mrs R Richardson and Mrs J Stephenson.

The meeting was opened at 6:30pm by Mrs Liddle.

Minutes of meeting 25th June 2007

The minutes were moved by Mrs Ferguson and approved.

Matters arising

Mr Ferguson reported that the Area 2 Forum considering our LIP bid had gone well with everyone attending supporting its forwarding to the Borough's Cabinet.

The Fun Day had unfortunately had to be cancelled as a suitable day had not been found.

Correspondence

A letter from Sedgefield Borough Council giving consent for renewing the electrics; alarms; toilets, including accessible facilities; heating system and roof was received

N-Power, our electricity supplier, is increasing our direct debit from £89/month to £110/month from October.

Mrs Drew had applied to Esh Charitable Trust for funds for the refurbishment but they declined.

The Pioneering Care Centre has hired the lounge for a 12 week course on weight management and healthy life style which started on 19th September. Mr Ferguson said that 8 people had attended the first meeting.

Sedgefield Borough had written about SASY, their awards for 'sensational youth'. Closing date for nominations is 31st December.

CAVOS had had its AGM in September. Durham County Council wrote about the Government announcement re: a unitary local government based on the County. The August issue of 'Infopeek' had arrived from DAYCO.

A letter was received about holding Craft Fairs at Community Centres. The crafters hire tables at £5 per table and the Centre gets entrance fees, refreshment sales, takings from any tombola or raffle etc. The Centre would be asked to widely publicise the event via radio and newspapers. The letter said that Sunday 28th October was free and Mrs Drew had asked them to hold it pending the Committee's approval. After discussion it was decided to confirm the booking and hold the fair. It was decided to run a tombola not a raffle to prevent problems with raffle winners not being present when the raffle was drawn.

Accounts

Mrs Drew presented the accounts for June, July and August and answered questions.

Christmas Fair

The date for the Christmas Fair will be **Saturday** 1st December. It was thought that the fair would finish in time for the hall to be prepared for the Dance. The Carol Service will be on Wednesday 12th December.

Other business

Ms Bellingham said she is waiting for advanced induction to start the junior gym sessions.

Mr Ferguson reported that we had had a lot of trouble getting the football field marked out and that referees could easily abandon a game if the lines weren't clear. As a result a line marker for the field had been bought and we can now mark the field out for ourselves. The cost would be about £280. The action was approved.

People have been having trouble opening the front door for a while and Mr Ferguson had had to call out a locksmith who could not repair the lock and had fitted a new one. Most organisations had received a new key and the cost of the replacement lock, labour and cutting of key was £187.27.

Mr Ferguson said that he had received a request from the Police to hold surgeries at the Centre.
Agreed by all

The meeting was closed at 7:45 pm by Ms Bellingham.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 16th October 2007 at 6:30pm.