

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EVENTS COMMITTEE HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 22ND FEBRUARY 2023 AT 5.30PM AT BROCKENHURST VILLAGE HALL**

Present:

Cllr Michael Harris	Chairman
Cllr Paul Pearse	Richard Wolstenholme
Cllr J Korbey	Ros Rea (until 6.05pm)
Elaine Blachford	Philip Dinn
Heather Lawrence	Parish Clerk

1. **Apologies for absence:** Bronya Szatkowska, Sue Jory, Krys Yates
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None
3. **Minutes of last meeting:** The minutes of the meeting held on 31st January 2023 were signed as a correct record.

4. **Update on Platinum Jubilee Trees**

Responses are still required from Brockenhurst College, School PTA and St Nicholas Church.

It was agreed that plaques should be purchased with the trees put in as and when decisions are made. Plaques to be locally sourced, if possible, enquiries have been made with New Forest Signs and Bearwood.

5. **Pancake Races debrief**

It was agreed that the Pancake Races were a great success with a very good turn out, helped by the dry weather. The sound system was clear and the Walkie Talkies were useful. Everyone agreed that the medals were great.

Thanks were given to Ros Rea and the PTA for running the races, FoB for sponsoring the event and Tesco Express for providing the sweets.

The following points were raised to be considered for future Pancake Races:-

Details displayed that the photographer is from the A&T.

To consider if any type of electronic sign up could help and including photo consent.

To consider having an annual award/trophy.

The PA was borrowed and the PC could consider purchasing their own.

6. **Future events:-**

a) Coronation Saturday 6th May 2023

The Village Hall are still considering whether it would be possible to run a joint event. It was agreed that a plan should be discussed if the events committee were to host and run an event on Saturday 6th May at the Village Hall.

It was agreed that the following should be considered:-

Hiring the Forest Hall at the village hall on Saturday 6th May and using the large Screen to show the Coronation. The capacity of the hall to be checked but thought it would be around 150 seated at tables.

A way of making tickets available would need to be considered but it was agreed that they would be available on a first come, first serve basis with no children, perhaps over 18's only. No charge, although a donation could always be suggested. Potential to try and reach members of the community that would otherwise be watching the Coronation on their own.

Tea, cake, and prosecco would be served.

Help would be needed, Ros from PTA offered to check if they have anyone available. Other local groups/organisation to be contacted once arrangements are confirmed.

Cllr Pearse to draft a plan.

Cllr Harris to visit the Village Hall.

Flags have been sourced and will cost £7.50 per Coronation Flag and £4.80 per Union Jack flag. 10 of each 5ft x 3ft to be ordered.

Parish Council still to consider purchasing a commemorative item for Brockenhurst children.

b) Christmas Fun Evening 1st December 2023

Bookings were confirmed for the fun fair with a larger selection being supplied. The donkey and Magic Jack is booked and Phillip Dinn advised it is hoped that NF Rotary would run the grotto again. Thanks were given to NF Rotary for their work in running the grotto. It is hoped that The Commoners will be happy to host the grotto, clerk to make enquiries.

ACTION POINTS: -

- 1. Trees – chase for responses – Clerk/Cllr Pearse**
- 2. Plaques - Clerk**
- 3. Draft plan for Coronation event – Cllr Pearse**
- 4. Visit the Village Hall – Cllr Harris**
- 5. Flag order - Clerk**
- 6. To confirm if NF Rotary can run the grotto – Philip Dinn**
- 7. Liaise with The Commoners - Clerk**

7. Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 14th March 2023 at 5.30pm in the Craft Room at the Village Hall

The meeting finished at 6.27pm

Signed:

Date: 14th March 2023