



MINUTES OF MEETING

Tuesday 14 November 2017 at the Wellington Hotel

Apologies received: Steve Coom, Debbie Beszant

Present: Peter Dixon, Ross Yates, Sue Webster, Geoff Beszant, Paul Stedman, Chris Searle, John & Denise Tillinghast, Peter Buchanan, Nick & Justine Chater, Jon and Delyth Ward, Alan & Kim Jones, Peter Hewitt

MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING:

Parking on public highway: The traffic warden will no longer be visiting villages in North Cornwall unless he is paid £35 per hour for his services. The Parish Council are strongly objecting to this as it is a real issue in the village, an update will be reported in the next meeting.

Halloween – a vote of thanks was expressed to Peter and Judith for organizing a very successful and ever expanding event. Other events planned include Old Christmas Wassail ceremony on December 6th with a torchlight procession, organized by the Institute of Cornwall Culture.

It had already been agreed to donate £200 towards expenses for the All Hallows event and Chris Searle proposed increasing this by a further £200 for travelling expenses for Old Christmas, making £400 in total for both events. This was seconded by Judith and voted in agreement.

Peter MWM asked for feedback - suggestions included more happening up in the car park, park and ride and increased advertising around the village

Dog & Litter Warden – Bob and his two Alsatians are almost ready to start, just a few admin bits to finalise. Bob is offering his services for free and the Cobweb have kindly said he can park there when patrolling.

Membership update:

The Membership Secretary welcomed Lorna Crystal of Swell Pixel as the soon to be 52nd member of the BCTC. Swell Pixel create hassle free websites with full aftercare services including hosting, updates, maintenance & content management.

Additional parking:

Representatives of the BCTC will be meeting with representatives of the National Trust, Parish Council and Boscastle CIC on 15 November to discuss possibility of extra parking on the football/playing field, during busy times.

Boscastle Community Interest Company

As suggested in the past, basic information relating to the work of the CIC is shown on the Visit Boscastle website and members are welcome to see current projects, minutes of meetings and more relating to the Company.

Over 18 months in existence now, the CIC has moved from a tenancy at will (TAW) to a leasehold agreement with Cornwall Council. Furthermore, the CIC has successfully obtained a continuation of the grant arrangement with Cornwall Council for an additional 4 years. By signing the leasehold agreement and obtaining additional grant security, the CIC believes it is in a good position to continue to provide continued provision for the village without expense to the local rate payer.

Whilst setting the Company up, the CIC was founded to have a wider community impact by managing, preserving and promoting community assets and activities. Successfully keeping the toilet facility in Boscastle 'open for business', the Directors are looking to broaden their work and investigate the viability in the village owning and running its own community mini bus. Therefore, if members of the CIC know of any community group or stakeholders within the village that would benefit from the use of this opportunity, please do make contact with the Directors before the end of January 2018. The membership hopes that by involving the whole village, we can successfully obtain funding, parking, maintenance and more to benefit a wider village audience. Boscastle Community Interest Company can be contacted by email at boscastlecic@gmail.com where we will pool ideas and information to meet as a community group.

Boscastle Blowhole

Final deadline for copy in the Winter edition of the Boscastle Blowhole is Thursday 30th November. Any changes to adverts should be received by Friday 24th November. If any member has items for consideration to be included in the forthcoming issue, please email boscastleblowhole@yahoo.co.uk

Pub Watch

Further to a meeting of licensees held in September, the group have formally met with officers from Cornwall Council and the Police with the intention of establishing a pub watch scheme for the area. The committee will meet formally for the first time on Tuesday 5th December at 11:30am at Camelot Castle with subsequent meetings to be the first Tuesday of every other month at the same time and venue. Further information can be obtained through the chair, Jon Scott (The Wellington Hotel).

Christmas

Trees are due to be delivered by Robin on 8 December and erected on 9 December. On Sunday 10th December at 2pm North Coast Harmony singers will be singing carols around the tree.

If any member is wishing to purchase, or replace, their outdoor tree bracket, please contact Peter Buchanan in the first instance as he has made the brackets in the past, also see a suggestion at <https://www.nimonic.co.uk/product-page/aluminium-christmas-tree-flag-pole-wall-bracket>

Next Meeting: AGM Tuesday 20 February 2018