

MENSTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Minutes of meeting 19th November 2015

Present:- Quentin Mackenzie, Liliias McCulloch, Tony Joint, Sue Rix, Dale Smith.

Apologies:- Roger Livesey, Glyn Martill, Chris Hartley, Dave Manson, John Houlihan.

Minutes:- The minutes of the meeting on 8th July, which had been circulated were accepted as a correct record. A report was given of the AGM and Forum held on 13th October.

Matters Arising:- Airport Noise...Senior Airport representatives came to the Forum and explained their tracking systems. Yorkshire Water representatives also came to the Forum and are now helping MAG on 'ground water emergence' matters.

Treasurer:- Donation of £1,000 made to Parish Council relating to the Notice Board.

Agreed to renew Liability Insurance £265.90... Quentin to ask Parish Council for a grant for this.

Santander have changed ~~have~~ changed the MCA account to a different type of account and now the signatories will be updated.

Notice Board:- The new notice board is being well used. Ribston Pippin have now kindly allocated a side window for community notices... So two copies of notices are now required. Thanks to Sue and Tony for organising this.

Mr Jim Wolton has requested a copy of the map which is on the notice board (Sue to obtain from Small Print). Mr Wolton has also agreed to come to future MCA meetings.

Skype Lessons:- Roger's comprehensive report read to the meeting. Meetings have gone well with Menston Explorer Scouts teaching elderly "students"...Particular thanks to Roger, Tony, Menston Cares and Menstone Club.

A £300 donation has been received from Olicana Lodge for an iPad—thank you very much.

Film Shows:- WW1 film show was a success (£5 per ticket). Tony to circulate information about costs and suggested films suitable in the Chapel Rooms.

World War 1 Commemoration:- Flanders trip a success and may be repeated next year. A book and DVD to be produced. There may also be another film show.

Menston in Bloom:- A donation from the Butterfield family has been used to build a rockery with a commemorative plaque explaining the gift of the park (and Menston Hall and Menston Park) to the people of Menston in 1955. A picnic table has also been donated which will be installed in the Spring.

Parks Department are cutting back on their services and Menston in Bloom is reducing, simplifying and smartening where ever possible.

Scouts are helping to plant bulbs in the park this Saturday... Help is always wanted.

The small team have decided not to enter Yorkshire in Bloom in 2016.

Parish Council:- There will be Christmas lights in all nine trees outside Kirklands this year and on the outside of the village hall. Suggested that some sort of notice should be attached to the trees in the conker season to try and prevent damage to the lights (boys will be boys!). Through Facebook etc. Sue is to encourage residents to light up their frontages. *h/b*

A £300 grant has been made to Fairfax Cubs. The Parish Council organised the Remembrance Day event which was well attended.

The Parish Council has funded the Menston Newsletter, which it was agreed should continue to go out as the 'Menston Community Association Newsletter'. The deadline for inclusion in the next issue is 31 January 2016.

Planning:- Menston Action Group have been successful in obtaining a Judicial Review of the Chartford Homes site at High Court of Leeds on 27th November. There will also be a three judge Court of Appeal hearing for the Derry Hill site early in the New Year. MAG were congratulated and thanked for their efforts.

Any Other Business:- The Primary School Christmas Fair, 5th December 4 – 6 pm.

Dementia Awareness session, Kirklands, 8th December organised by Menston Cares.

Date of next Meeting:- 27th January 2016.

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Good fun...
Cleared mud
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re-painted
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Hall - where
there
display
is.