



## Minutes of the Holmes Chapel Partnership Committee Meeting Monday, 20th June 2022

7.30pm - Massey Room St Luke's Church Hall

**Present:** Hazel Sutcliffe, Richard Garton, Peter Whiers, Gail Griggs, Diane Tams, Rich Alcock, Katy O'Regan, Sarah Archibald, Kate Fallon (representing NHS community health)

**Apologies:** Liz Alcock, Marie Bennett, Karoline Peach, Debra Cummins

### COMMUNITY MEETING WITH HCCS - KATY

- Half-termly meetings lasting no more than an hour resulting in clear actions circulated in note form. Set up an email group set up to discuss things in between.
- Nigel is keen to be part of the HC community, especially having a presence at the Christmas Market. Phil Roberts is no longer involved in community liaison.
- Katy has suggested the next meeting take place on 14th July at the Bottle Bank. Brian Bath or Diane and Peter to attend.

### SANTAS SLEIGH - PETER

- Peter met with Dave and Will to discuss new designs. Dave has original drawings which will be helpful.
- Currently stored in Sandbach but potentially not a long term solution due to land owners ill health.

### MENTAL HEALTH IN THE COMMUNITY - SARAH / KATE

- Kate explained her role of linking the various organisations in the area together as current services are disjointed. Kate works with GPs, district nurses, councils, volunteers, etc.
- They are currently focusing on cardiovascular, children and mental health.
- Kate will write a short introduction of herself for the July newsletter. A regular feature in the newsletter and information on the HCP website was discussed.

### ALLOTMENTS - PETER

- Following a visit to Bidlea Peter is not confident it is an option due to the further commercialisation of the site.
- Action to reach out to local farmers to ask if anyone has land to spare.

### PROJECT OFFICER ROLES - PETER

- Peter explained the split of the two new roles which will take over his Project Manager role from July.
- To avoid duplication of work Debra Cummins will be Events and Volunteer Manager, Gail Griggs will be Events and Volunteer Coordinator with responsibility for the website.
- Hazel, Peter, Gail and Debra will meet on 1st July to hand over.

### FINANCE UPDATE - RICHARD

- The bank accounts are looking healthy. Still awaiting a few invoices including Jubilee road closure.
- No costs have been apportioned to VCP project yet.
- Peter awaiting feedback from Alison Wright on VCP / Bridge the Gap.

### UKRAINIAN REFUGEES - HAZEL

- Hazel and Katy both received a request for funding for a marketing course for a refugee.
- Cheshire East has pot of money for Ukrainians but this is ring fenced and the government has not yet defined the criteria.
- Crowdfunding is possible option, for all those in need of help locally, not for individual cases.
- Katy will run an article in the Villages mag to ask for help.
- Sarah will ask her Cheshire West contacts if they know where support can be accessed in Cheshire East.

### WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK - HAZEL

- Very successful with lots of press and positive publicity following the walk with John Dwyer.
- ANSA has responded to communications from Tina about crossing controls. They wish to come out a make an assessment before the end of this term.
- Police and Crime Commissioner John Dwyer has pot of money for community projects. Funding of crossing patrol?
- Need to keep momentum going with actual improvements to road safety.

### **SPEEDWATCH - HAZEL**

- Still high levels of speeding through the village. Teams have been out on Macclesfield Road.
- Offenders are sent a letter via the PCSO. Lack of Truecams for the area means offenders are rarely prosecuted.

### **PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE - DIANE / RICH**

- **Antisocial behaviour:** Following reports of antisocial behaviour around the Sandiford Road, Alumbrook, Eastgate area a new security camera is being installed further down from Bargain Booze.
- **Road improvements:** Les Gilbert has funds of £8.5k to spend on road improvements. Will most likely be spent on repainting the roundabouts by the G&D. Should have confirmation by end of June.
- Would like to move away from more SIDs towards road painting and more signage.
- Wide entrance to new Anwyl Victoria Mills estate will not change following approval in 2011. Will be hard for pedestrians to cross once site is inhabited.
- **Hedges:** Council cannot cut back until September but there are many in the village which are overgrowing pavements. Suggestion to pay privately for hedge cutting.

### **PLATINUM JUBILEE - HAZEL**

- Good feedback, well attended event. Businesses along road closure were very busy.
- Parish Council have approved an annual summer event (in July to tie in with village fair) where road is closed between 7-11 on a Friday evening, fairground, dance or market at community centre on Saturday and village fair at the Vic Club on Sunday.

### **VILLAGE FAIR - HAZEL**

- July 10th at the Vic club, HCP will have a stall. Hazel and Gail will attend.
- Will have a photo quiz of local things in Holmes Chapel with a voucher prize from a local shop.

### **TOWN PARTNERSHIP MEETING - HAZEL**

- Hazel attended the first meeting since October 2021. Alsager and Congleton were also present but Sandbach and Middlewich are experiencing difficulties in forming a committee.
- Julie Walker attended but could give no information about future funding of Partnerships. Current agreement has one year to run.
- Alsager gave a report on dementia support/ Alzheimer's Society. Hazel to discuss with Dorothy Davidson.
- Next meeting is 10th August.

### **DANE MEADOW - HAZEL**

- Ian Wilks is hoping to help set up an orienteering trail (similar to one at Brereton Heath) for the school summer holidays.

### **HCP WEBSITE - GAIL**

- Gail outlined the key stats for the current website in terms of what pages visitors are looking at.
- Need to tidy up front page and top level menu items to simplify and make it easier to find information.
- Potential new home page design had positive feedback from all.

**Date for next meeting is 18th July in the Massey Room at St Luke's Church Hall**