

RIPLEY PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE CHRISTMAS EVENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 9th
SEPTEMBER 2013 AT MDM HOUSE, HIGH STREET AT 6.00PM**

Present

Chris Lee (Chairman), Cllr Lisanne Mealing, Cllr Caspar Hancock, Cllr Jennie Cliff, Cllr Suzie Powell-Cullingford, Jackie van Heesewijk, Elaine Cooper, Nigel Bruder, Missy Wishart

Alison Jones Clerk to the Council

CE 12/13 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Vernon Wood, Cllr Colin Cross, Mike Baker, Sally Rule, Glyn Watkins

CE 13/13 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

None given.

CE 14/13 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 17th June 2013 at 6.00pm at Pinnocks Coffee House were received, confirmed and signed as a true and correct record by the Chairman

CE15/13 BBQ

Nigel confirmed that he had secured 3 chefs to do the cooking.

Nigel has one barbecue available. Alison will ask Vernon Wood if the Bonfire Committee barbecue can be borrowed as previously.

In 2012 200 burgers and 200 sausages were supplied. Burgers were more popular than sausages. Nigel will negotiate with David Conisbee for a supply of up to 300 burgers and 250 sausages on a sale or return basis.

The bread rolls were very good in 2012 but relatively expensive even with a 20% discount. Nigel will obtain a quote from another source of bread rolls. Chris will negotiate with The Bakery in Ripley on the basis of this quote.

Cheese burgers were popular so more cheese should be purchased this year. Burger sauce was popular and extra serviettes are needed.

3 helpers are needed for each hour.

Caspar will help set up and be in charge of the first hour

Suzie will be in charge of the second hour and Sally the third hour.

Chris will confirm the helpers and the purchases from the cash and carry at the next meeting.

The cans of drink will not be supplied.

CE 16/13 ENTERTAINMENT

Chobham Rock Choir is confirmed. Final arrangements will be confirmed in due course

Chris Lee is meeting with Serena Drake to discuss the possibility of using the roof of Drakes Restaurant for Peter Honore and his band. The adjacent area in front of Broadway Barn may be more suitable.

Tormead School Jazz Band (25 musicians) is confirmed.

Woking Stagecoach cannot confirm until their term has begun at the end of September.

Carol singing will not be required if these four groups attend.

The Rodeo Bull Ride would come at a charge of £60 for the day. The area to the left of the Milk Road was proposed but Chris will measure the area on the right of the Milk Road to see if that is more suitable if stalls could still be positioned around the edge of the area. The Bull ride would be an attraction to that area but the stall income would be reduced.

Jackie confirmed that Brian from the Guitar Shop would provide live music from his courtyard. None of his students wished to perform this year.

Phil Paul is happy to be Father Christmas once more.
Chris will ask Jan Carter and Nicola Hookins if they are willing to help Father Christmas as in previous years.
Chris will discuss the presents with Richardsons.

CE 17/13 STALLS

Chris reported that 71 stalls were booked. This is 20 more than at the same stage in 2012 and the number of enquiries is well up.

CE 18/13 ADVERTISING

Jackie had asked Missy to redesign the A5 advertising leaflet, bearing in mind the suggestions made at the last Christmas Fair committee meeting. The Committee was impressed with the new design and suggested various minor changes to increase the impact still further.

Jennie will check that Lloyds Chemist is happy to sell the raffle tickets.
The Farmers Market will sponsor the printing of the leaflet.

Chris Lee will confirm the final copy with Missy.

CE 19/13 RAFFLE

The following prizes are confirmed:

Treatments from VII, Fountain Beauty, Sallies and il Santo
Case of wine from the Travel Club, bottle from the British Legion, bottle from the Bonfire Committee,
Woking Theatre and Cinema tickets
A piece of jewellery from Jackie,
Vouchers from the Jovial Sailor and Pinnocks
Meal for 2 from Drakes Restaurant
Farmers Market Hamper
Meal for 2 from Talbot Hotel
A gift from Nest
A gift from the Bakery
A gift from Dolittle's
A gift from Ripley Vets

The following prizes are not yet confirmed:

A gift from Richardsons and the Onslow Arms. Chris will check with Sally
A gift from the Half Moon – Caspar will check what it will be.

A gift from the Guitar shop (Jackie)
A gift from Papercourt sailing club (Chris)

Chris Lee will arrange with Mike to purchase 6000 raffle tickets, sponsored by MDM Associates. The 3 prizes on the front of the tickets will be a Meal for 2 at Drakes, Farmers Market hamper and Woking Theatre tickets.

CE 20/13 PROCESSION

Chris has not yet been able to discuss further the points raised at the last meeting with the owners of the Cobham sleigh. He will continue to try to contact them.

Father Christmas will stop working in Richardsons at 3.30pm in order to join the procession at the village hall.

Elaine will find a character from the Woking Pantomime (Cinderella).
A Ripley pantomime character will attend in his own transport.

CE 21/13 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AT THE NEXT MEETING

Items for discussion at the next meeting include:
Estate Agent Boards
Flier distribution
Raffle ticket distribution
Marshals
Control Point – Jennie is willing to take Alison's place
Other help on the day
Entertainment timetable

It was RESOLVED: That the agreed plans and arrangements of the Christmas Event Committee be reported to the next Ripley Parish Council meeting scheduled to be held on Thursday 12th September 2013.

CE 22/13 DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 15th October at 6pm at MDM House.

The meeting closed at 7.15pm

Signed:

Date: