

## Village Day Committee

**8 December 2009, 18.30h**

Present	Councillors:	A Waterfield	Chairman
		J Burgess	
		T Reason	
		S Bates	
		L Coates	
		B Dawes	
		Julia Warren	Clerk to the Council
		Press	0
		Public	0

### **741-09 APOLOGIES**

The Chairman welcomed Mrs Bates to the meeting. Apologies were received from Councillors A Brewster and N Clements (personal reasons) and Mr A Patel.

### **742-09 SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

### **743-09 PUBLIC SPEAKING**

None

### **744-09 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 20 October 2009 were approved.

**Resolved: To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 20 October as a true and fair record, and for these to be signed by the Chairman.**

### **745-09 VILLAGE DAY 2010 WORKING GROUPS**

The Chairman explained that the aim in 2010 was to celebrate the 950<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Charter with additional events. To facilitate this Council had approved the setting up of a number of working groups which could meet less formally to progress project ideas for committee approval (Minutes 565-09, 610-09). It was anticipated that members of the community would seek to become involved.

Some discussion followed and it was agreed that the Village Day Programme (spanning Saturday and Sunday events) would remain a committee responsibility. Mrs Bates and Mrs Dawes agreed to assist with the bunting, it was agreed that WEB be approached to assist with signage and decoration as in 2009.

A donation to the Scout Fellowship and WAKESU for their assistance in 2009 was approved of £100 and £50 respectively (LGA 1972 s145). Members hoped for their ongoing support for Village Day 2010.

- Resolved:**
- 1 To note the report**
  - 2 To approved donations to the Scout Fellowship and WAKESU for their assistance with Village Day 2009**
  - 3 That membership of the working groups include:**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Cllrs Waterfield, Begg, Burgess and Reason, and Mr Patel</b>
<b>Sunday Parade</b>	<b>Cllrs Waterfield and Brewster, and Mrs Bates, Coates and Dawes</b>
<b>Sunday Field</b>	<b>Cllrs Waterfield, Brewster, Burgess, Clements, Reason and Walford</b>
  - 4 To encourage greater participation in Village Day organisation by direct approach to friends and local community groups**

#### **746-09 BUDGET 2010-11**

Members agreed that a larger budget would be required for 2010-11 for a 2 day event. Publicity costs would rise for additional programmes and posters to cover the weekend events. Further publicity: via the website, St Albans District Council events literature, the Pump and posters and fliers available in the Memorial Hall prior to events which preceded Village Day, was discussed.

Saturday events had not previously been costed and were somewhat unknown prior to consideration by the working group. These would include payments to musicians, sound systems, first aid, venue hire including set up and clear up. Income potential might be generated from refreshments. Expenditure budget for 2009 had been £3,000. Members considered that this be doubled for the weekend event (£6,000). Income was estimated at approximately £2,000.

It was also noted that a Council owned generator could be beneficial both to the community on Village Day and to Council generally for use in jet washing, power in the Forge etc. Members noted that Councillor Burgess had purchased a generator used to date exclusively for Council activities

