

FOWS meeting minutes

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| Meeting Date | 17 th June 2021 - Julie's house | |
| Attendees | Laura Dickinson (Affleck) (LD) Susie Bateson (SB) Emma Punt (EP) Hazel Brewster (HB) | Julie Abraham (JA) Lindsay Marshall (LM) Clair Brown (CB) Amanda Edwards (AE) |
| Apologies | Kerry White (KW) Hope Morley (HM) Rebecca Kealy (RK) | Natalia Jackson (NJ) Louise Woodford (LW) |

1. Welcome and apologies
Received from KW, HM, RK, NJ & LW.
2. Matters arising & approval of minutes from previous meeting
No matters arising, minutes approved.
3. Spending/income since last meeting

Spending total = nil

Staff are not spending the termly allowance.

Income total = £395.20

Easter Junt £14.50, Safari Sale £205.70, ice-creams £175 approximately.

Safari Sale breakdown

Stalls £125, cakes £61.70, donations £11, uniform sale £8

We received good feedback about the safari sale with people saying it was a great community event. If we were to run it again we should get more cakes as they sold out quickly. We should also offer drinks. The committee would like to thank Kerry and Laura for organising the safari sale.

We agreed that we could match the funds (£42.70) raised recently by the School Council at their cake sale.

Action: write a letter to the School Council offering to fund match - SB

4. Art trail refreshments (EP)

The Arts Society have offered to donate £50 towards refreshments at the forthcoming opening day of the Art Trail at the church. Any surplus will be used to buy ice-creams with FOWS accepting donations at the regular ice-cream sale. Emma has this in hand.

Action: arrange refreshments using the Art Society donation - EP

Action: write a letter to the Arts Society thanking them for their donation - SB

5. Big Bash (JA/LA/LM)

Discussion around the cake, food and entertainment ideas that have been researched for this event in July. A magician has been found who will charge £165 for 2 sessions and a local baker who will bake 50 cup-cakes for £90. All agreed with the spending suggested. Laura is happy to co-ordinate this and will ask for help on the day if required.

Action: co-ordinate the entertainment, food and cake for the Big Bash - LD

6. Autumn term fundraising ideas

We held a short discussion around possible fundraising ideas for the next 6 -12 months. All agreed that the following should be explored further, and certainly discussed more at the next meeting.

Halloween - cake sale, Hector's Pumpkin Patch (pumpkin sale), village trail, pumpkin carving competition

Jubilee event - consider this once the Parish Council have decided whether they are celebrating the event.

Quiz - potentially on-line if a village hall meet is not an option

Fete - with traditional games. Potentially just ad-hoc when the weather looks favourable.

Christmas wreath-making - either in the village hall or the church. Several FOWS members have contacts who could possibly run the session. Agreed to start looking into this event immediately.

Action: contact possible session organisers about a wreath-making workshop - SB/AE/LM

Co-op Community Fund

Clair has submitted our application for this fund, after discussing with school what they could spend the money on. They would like to refurbish and update the play area under the canopy. We will find out in October whether we have been successful. If we are chosen and school would like to buy the equipment and make the updates quickly we all agreed that we could advance the funds as the Community Fund runs for 6 months and we may not receive the money until April 2022. Thank you Clair for submitting the application.

7. Co-opting of a temporary co-chair ahead of election of a new chair at our AGM in Sept/Oct

LD explained the role of co-chair and having this as a temporary arrangement until the next meeting and AGM in September when LD would like to step down as chair. SB would also like to resign as secretary.

SB proposed LM as co-chair, EP seconded. All present were in favour and the motion was passed. Welcome Lindsay!

LM proposed CB as secretary, LD seconded. All present were in favour and the motion was passed. Welcome (and thank-you) Clair!

8. AOB

LD explained the role of trustees of the committee. With LD and SB both stepping down, and resigning as trustees at the AGM, we need at least 2 new trustees.

[Action: circulate the document explaining the role of the trustees to the committee - LD](#)

9. Date of next meeting

29th September 2021 - location tbc.