

Fleetville Diaries Committee Minutes

June 8th 2011

40 Arthur Road 7.30pm

Present: Mike Neighbour, Peter Elliott, Lorraine Hammond, Liz Bloom

1. Liz' news

FD is now member of CVS. Liz is in process of CRB check by CVS which will be ready in 6 weeks. Mike is working with Elanor Cowland at MSA to run a conference of local history groups. Peter mentioned that there will be a Herts Assoc. for Local History Conference in the Autumn. Liz and Mike are going to the Community Archives Conference on June 22nd in London.

- ***Peter to find out more about the Herts Local History Conference.***

2. Checking through and signing paperwork.

All committee members received copies of the Constitution, H&S Policy and Policy for Children and Vulnerable Adults

- ***Next review of the Child Protection Policy in June 2012.***

3. NatWest bank account paperwork

This has been delayed until clarification with a bank official. A dedicated meeting will be set up to complete all necessary forms.

- ***Liz to visit NatWest and email committee to set up a meeting.***

4. Website management – Discussion

Photo image management quite time-consuming. Suggestion that Vic might like to do that. Time must be set aside for training on this.

- ***Liz to contact Vic with a view to using Flickr as a viewing tool that is linked to the FD website***

5. Research into funding routes

Liz is currently drawing up a bid for county funds for capital, and possibly training expenditure. Very detailed costing is required to make a good bid. We would benefit from: portable exhibition boards, an LCD projector, a storage cabinet, box files, polyester pockets, an external hard drive, and funds for printing costs and training fees.

A decision was made to formalise membership and ask for an annual subscription of possibly £20.

- ***The idea of an annual subscription is to be put to the membership in October 2011.***
- ***Peter to cost up archiving materials.***
- ***Lorraine to cost up all other items on the list.***

6. Links with the press

We are finding it difficult to make good contact with the press although letters for the letters page sometimes get a look in.

- ***Liz to ask Andrew Freeman if he has links with the local press.***

7. Forthcoming meetings

It has been difficult to contact CAMRA for the August meeting so a decision was made to change the agenda that day so we can view Fleetville Stories video and perhaps have a look around the SAE and FD websites.

- ***Liz to book committee room (with LCD projector) for August.***

8. Larks in the Parks preparations

All is going ahead as planned. Gazebo purchased, display boards booked. Children's activities, flyers etc in process of preparation.

- ***Liz to email Mike a display about FD.***
- ***Liz to purchase Velcro dots!***

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Liz to:

- ***persevere in contacting Tony Hurlle about links with ethnic groups in Fleetville.***
- ***contact Jon Meier to see if Fleetville Stories can be placed on YouTube.***
- ***ask Andrew if his son-in-law could establish links with CAMRA.***
- ***email Fleetville contacts to send in photos of Fleetville events for 'Year in the Life of...'* on FD website.**

2011 Fleetville Diaries Meetings and Events	Topic
January 24 th	With Woodville Ladies, identifying shop unit occupation on Hatfield Road.
February 24 th	Members bring along an object to discuss.
March 27 th March 31 st	Fleetville Festival display. All afternoon in Primary School. Guest from HALS to speak about his/her work.
April 28 th	Fleetville; an accident waiting to happen. Mike Neighbour.
May 26 th	A visit to the restored St Albans signal box.
June 26 th June 30 th	Larks in the Parks FD stall. 1 st Fleetville guided walk.
July 28 th	'Tree picnic' in Clarence Park.
August 25 th	CAMRA; our beer heritage.
September 29 th	2 nd Fleetville guided walk.
October 27 th	Fleetville Diaries photo fair.
November 24 th	Guest archivist to speak about his/her work.
December 15 th (3 rd week of the month)	Carol Singing around Fleetville.