

Denby Village Conservation Group

Draft Minutes of the Meeting held on the 4th of November at 11 am in the George Inn

In Attendance

Ken Bellamy (Chair), Dean Wyatt, Christine Figg, Jane Raistrick, David Raistrick, Vera Bell, June Cook, David Cook, John Cook, Jan Howard, Neil Howard, George Parsisson, Chris Ruddleskin, Paul Clarke, Shelagh Uden and Diane Brown (Secretary.)

Agenda

85.17 Apologies

Were received from Dave Wilde, Anne Middleton, Joyce Jones, Paul Jaworski, Martin Watts, Lynne Watts, Joan Inman and Brian Inman.

86.17 Minutes from the last Meeting and Matters Arising.

We did not have a meeting in October as this was replaced by a guided tour of Denby Delf. It was agreed that the minutes of the last meeting held on the 2nd of September were an accurate record of the matters discussed the exception that Shelagh was at the meeting and her name was omitted in error and would be added.

87.17 Denby Dash

Anne was unable to attend the meeting but had sent very detailed review notes. The report was received and noted by all members present and it was agreed that the Denby Dash should continue, thanks again to Anne and the subcommittee members for all their hard work. Chris R said that the problem with the stile on Lemonacre had now been sorted.

88.17 History Board

David updated the meeting with the revised costings for the flagging which was agreed. It was also agreed to purchase a more robust bench at an extra £50. David passed round the revised plans and bench details which were agreed. James plans to start the work on November the 20th weather permitting. There were no queries raised from members and everyone said that they were happy to progress.

89.17 Denby Delf

After our guided tour instead of a usual meeting the Denby Delf subcommittee met to push ahead with this joint project. The first task is to agree the content for the information boards. Dave W is to contribute the flora and fauna information and Martin and Dave C, are to provide local history information. Martin was not at the meeting but Dave C outlined his pursuit of getting information about the quarrying which took place here. His progress has been slow as he has obtained more information about the High Flatts quarry rather than the Denby one but he will continue to pursue.

90.17 Planning Applications

David updated the meeting; the outline permission for a new dwelling on Coal Pit Lane has not yet been decided.

The application for 7 Gunthwaite Lane is still undecided and the ménage on Coal Pit Lane has been agreed on the condition that it is for private use only.

There are 2 new applications 2, Coal Pit lane and 87 Denby Lane both properties are in the Conservation Area and are to be built with suitable materials.

91.17 Finance Issues

Dean updated the meeting we have £3,809.33 in the bank. We have paid some of the invoices for the History Board but there remains approximately £1,500 to be paid out. The money boxes were emptied to ensure all old £1 coins were paid in and these raised £66.07. The calendars

have raised £495 so we are now in profit on this but there are some left so if members could ensure that they have their copies and encourage friends and family to purchase them.

92.17 Work Plan

We have not updated the work plan and Ken will revise it and email everyone. Hopefully he and George won't have to cut the Greens for a while. The phone box is looking good but we think we may have a problem with local children kicking stones at it so could members watch out for this please. Thankfully no panes have been damaged as yet.

93.17 Neighbourhood Watch

Diane updated the meeting regarding her recent meeting with the Police. She had already shared a note on this. It was agreed to compile a flyer to be sent to all properties in order to gauge interest. This will be two sided the other side being used to relaunch the group to hopefully attract more members.

94.17 Any Other Business

Items discussed included

- A property on Denby Lane continues to be an eye sore; John C gave some background to this.
- The VETS emergency number has unfortunately been used by cold callers and Ken has contacted the Community Heartbeat Trust for advice.
- There will be a refresher course on the use of the defibrillator on Tuesday the 5th of December at 3.30pm in the George, everyone is welcome.
- It was agreed that in lieu of the support shown by Richard Nicholls to our group that we would contribute £25 each to the Yorkshire Air Ambulance and the Heart Foundation. Richard will be missed and his untimely death has saddened us all.
- The state of the garages at the back of the George is a real eye sore and suggestions were made as to how they can be improved. It was agreed that we would talk to Kirklees council about them.
- The bench on Falledge remains unstained Ken will ask Tod if he can help.
- Christine said that the work around the bus stop on Denby Lane needs attention, the weeds need cutting down around this area.
- Our next litter pick is the 11th of November.

95.17 Date of the Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be Saturday the 2nd of December at 11 am in the George Inn. Ken thanked everyone for their attendance.

The meeting closed at 11.50 am.

Signed by the Chair..... Date