

Papdale Parent Council – 29th April 2013

Present, Lynette Shearer, Jane Bruce, Charlotte Harrison, Diane Clark, Anita Sandison, Claire Louttit, Kevin Balfour, Huw Thomas, Carmen Luke, Shonagh Merriman, Lisa Poke, Margaret Keenan

1) Apologies: Lesley Mulraine, Karyn Tait attended at 6.10pm and Huw Thomas at 7pm

Minutes of 18 March were proposed by Shonagh Merriman and seconded by Diane Clark.

2) Matters Arising:

Valentines Disco – we raised around £800. The staffing was an issue as there was no school staff present at the disco and it was felt that had there been a medical issue the Parent Council would not have known about any individual child's needs. It is hoped that there would be one member of staff per party. Also noted that children are not permitted in the kitchen – even if they are willing to help out

Action: Parent Council to clarify for each party how many staff are able to attend

Action: Children not to be allowed in kitchen at any fundraising events

Bingo Night – everyone felt that it had been a huge success, around £1800 raised before expenses – it had been mentioned how good the kids had all behaved and how good the prizes were – but again noted that not much support from staff or other parents, mainly friends and family of PC members (and regular 'happy and contented' bingo goers)

NHS Fund – their own criteria is not yet clear, so PC will possibly try again at a later date to see if we can get any more funds from them – as it is felt we meet the guidelines.

Action: Charlotte to speak to Kieron to see if he would approach them once their criteria is established

Spring Fling – fling is not going ahead this year in the Town, however the following activities are on the same day..... Glaitness Fun Day, Athletics, Ideal Home Show etc etc so will do a smaller event instead (see later minutes re Doris's info about BID event)

Quiz Night – Shonagh had spoken to Julia Sherriffs who can fit it in whenever we get a date sorted – possibly leave it until the new term. Venue to be decided, Helgis, Sailing Club, Papdale Dinner Hall were all suggested.

Action: Carmen to see if Helgis have a slot after Summer just in case we decide to go there

Nexen - £1000 to be donated

Action: Diane to find out details about payment etc

Wood Group – Lisa suggested that they may contribute to our fun

Action: Lisa to find out who the contact would be

3) Head teacher's Report – email to follow

4) Doris Hutchinson's BID Report - Doris joined meeting at 6.30pm

Quite a few of the shops are doing discount, fancy dress, kids activities etc A fire engine will be on Broad Street for the afternoon along with a vintage engine and vintage car cavalcade. We have a stand booked in front of the BOS and the Draw will take place at 4pm.

Action: Kevin to replicate the plan in the school foyer to display in gazebo, look out the school flag for display, organise the 2 x tables and 4 x chairs and room divider for Friday night collection

Action: Doris to supply the gazebo and tombola

Action: Karyn to supply pop-up banner

Action: Lisa to collect tables and chairs on the Friday night and return on Monday to school

Action: Lynette to get sweets

Action: Margaret to organise the rota of helpers – Doris there most of the day

Action: Lisa to do a Facebook plea for more ticket sales

Action: Claire to speak to Steven to see if we can display the prizes in Aurora's window

5) Project Update

Charlotte and Lynette have spoken to Steven Kemp who has offered to do the majority of the groundwork, supply some labour hours for fence and/or seating area

Also he has offered to potentially take on the maintenance of the equipment at £10,000 over 10 years – which is an amazing weight off the PC's finances.

Planning permission is not required as the equipment is under £100,000 each.

Steven and Scott Muir are in discussion next week regarding Steven's assistance with supply of materials, use of his H&S Legislation, groundwork plant equipment etc will reduce our costs by a huge amount.

The Development plan needs to go the CDF by 13th May. Also will then be passed out to local businesses to try and muster up more support

The £20,000 from the PC Flett fund is a major boost to our balance, however there may be more left which we can tap into.

Action: Kieron to speak to his contact to see if this would be possible

Action: Shonagh to find out how the payment will be made and possible date

Action: Kevin to speak to Kieron about the Scrap Pod ie who should build it, estimated cost £10,000. Possibly try Cloustons or even Steven Kemp

Charlotte had a call from the Council regarding a client who was interested in contributing to a worthy cause, such as a sustainable project

Action: Charlotte to get contact details and discuss further

Land Lease – Charlotte has had no feedback from any of the Councillors who attended the previous meeting. It is hoped that because Steven Kemp is willing to take on the maintenance and groundwork that we may not have to go forward with the lease or to be an incorporated organisation. This would mean the OIC would be liable

Action: Charlotte to email Bill Stout to see what is happening with it

AOB

The Orkney Challenge – Carmen gave more detail about what Richard Walker would like to happen around his 146.2 mile walk around Orkney – a percentage of the proceeds are going towards our Play park project – so far himself and his employer have donated £2000! The walk takes place on 20 June, in stages, starting from Helgis. It is hoped that the Papdale children would be able to walk a small part of the first stage – good for PR for Richard and the Play park project.

Action: Carmen to email Jane a copy of his route and to see if Richard is available to come onto the stand on BID day

Action: Jane to see if sponsorship would be feasible – also to speak to Parent Forum for support

Action: Carmen to take Richard to Picky on Friday for a quick meeting with Charlotte

Laggganlia Trip – It was decided to donate £300 from our funds to help with costs

Jumble Sale – It was decided that a table top sale in the Papdale Dinner Hall would be a fairly easy fund raiser, possibly on a Sunday afternoon. We would supply tea and biscuits.

Action: Carmen to speak to Colin about a suitable date for Hall

Totem Pole – once we get the £20,000 from the PC Flett fund the arrow can be moved up!

6) PC Members – Shonagh and Lesley are coming off the PC at the end of June, Anna Schollay and Tim Deans have shown an interest in joining. Charlotte thanked Shonagh and Lesley (although not present) for their support and commitment to the PC.

Date of next meeting – Monday 24 June 2013

Meeting Closed 8.05pm

Signed by Chairperson.....