

MMVA PUBLIC MEETING – 29/01/16

COMMITTEE ATTENDEES

Paul Sykes (PS)

Anne Johnson (AJ)

Mike Burton (MB)

Ian Pickering (IP)

Rod Goddard (RG)

There were also a number of members of the village in attendance.

MINUTES

- PS welcomed everyone to the meeting, introduced the committee and then gave the background of the formation of the Association and its aims and objectives. He stated that the constitution was on the website for everyone's perusal, but in essence the MMVA role was to fill the gap left by the Parish Council and the RKC in improving life in the village, complementing their activities, but recognising their necessary limitations.
- Letters / e-mails had been received from villagers who were unable to attend the meeting today. RG added that whilst the Association was now formed, it was our hope that the village would get involved in the Association and the running of it. The meeting was then handed over to questions from the attendees.
- Paul Harrison, in his capacity as the Chair of the RKC, expressed concerns that the MMVA may divert monies away from the RKC. Assurances were given that the MMVA would actively support the role of the RKC in its running of the Old School Room. It was pointed out by a former treasurer of the RKC, that their sole objective was to run the Old School Room and to raise funds to do so. Accordingly, the RKC cannot properly raise funds for other good causes in the village. Accordingly he supported the idea of the MMVA. Generally, it was agreed that the MMVA and the RKC could work together on joint activities.
- A member of the RKC social committee confirmed that she and her colleagues were happy to continue to run fund raising events for the RKC in addition to any other events for the MMVA.
- There were then discussions about initial activities for the MMVA to become involved in. There was general support for the idea that the MMVA should offer a nominal sum to the PC to purchase the phone box in the village and then restore it. Ideas were given as to its use and a useful suggestion to hold a competition to decide what to do with it.
- A question was asked about funding and it was confirmed that the MMVA had some initial funds donated that, amongst other things, allowed them to now be fully insured for all activities, including the monthly Pop Up Pub social event which was to follow the meeting.
- IP was to create a MMVA email circular and 28 people signed up to receive it and potentially become members.

NEXT MEETING

No formal date was agreed but it will be circulated in due course.

The meeting was then closed.