

Sompting Big Local

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Minutes of the meeting.

Monday 18th April 2016.
Sompting Village Hall

Starting at 7:00pm

Present: Emma Crowter, Trevor Crowter, Gill Crowter, Ray Downie, Harry Crosby, Paul Mansell, Mel Shaw, Barbara Locke, Alana Gooding, Carson Albury, Patrick Locke, Richard Adams (Public)

Apologies for absence (vice chair)

- Colin Frampton, Jim Boot,

Approval of minutes from last meeting (chair)

- Paul Mansell proposed they be accepted and Trevor Crowter seconded.
- Vice Chair welcomed Richard Adams as a member of the public.

Mayday update

- The day is 99% organised, SBL are needing volunteers and we may get some from Colin In order to man stalls etc. Posters are distributed, Hog roast booked. Free popcorn & candy floss available, tombola, raffles, tin can, stocks, hoopla, ball pit and much more will be there on the day. There will be three main raffle prizes; Hamper, Camera, and TV.

The road will now not be closed due to some confusion with the various agencies (highways England) therefore more security will be available in the form of fencing off of the area from the road. Fencing supplied by e-on. Reimbursement of £104.00 pursued by Carson.

The suppliers of the stalls, games and activities have submitted copies of all risk assessments to SBL along with third party liability insurance.

A steel band has been contacted to play on the day, awaiting a price for an enclosed soft play area. It was proposed and accepted that the budget be increased by £1000.00 to £4500.00. The Chair and Vice Chair acknowledged the hard work that Barbara and Emma have and are doing to make the day a success (well done from everyone.)

Additional parking for volunteers and stall holders is available at the HJ centre. In Loose lane and the Village Hall car park.

Hog Roast cost £2.50 per ticket, stalls £1.00 for 5 tickets, 1 ticket per stall, Stocks 3 wet sponges £1.00.

The merchandise is beginning to arrive and should be in place on the day. Beneficiaries of the day St Mary's church. The day will also promote Hamble Park project and the Credit Union in schools.

It was agreed that photographs and video could be done with the correct protocols in place ref. Consent forms, disclaimer, and specific camera crew, anyone not wishing to be photographed or videoed would wear a coloured sticker so that they would be known to the camera crew.

Once we know all who will be attending, a meeting regarding roles and responsibilities will be held by the chair, early start 7:00 am on the day.

Hamble update: As per the above mentioned.

Merchandise: As per the above mentioned.

Project “Brainstorm” & General discussion:

Looking forward to the year ahead and beyond, the projects may get more ambitious and SBL needs the resource to fulfil these projects. A number of suggestions were put forward; getting the word out to the public, how do we get the public more involved, Mayday celebration is a good start in spreading the word. Some of the suggestions:

- a. Questionnaires
- b. Build on the Guy Fawkes theme
- c. SBL celebration of its third year
- d. New LTO to have the capability/resource to undertake a survey to promote local community requirements etc.
- e. Look at more family activities during school holidays etc.
- f. Halewick Park: An eco-loo was suggested as there are no facilities for dog walker’s rambles and children who use the park.
- g. Engage with local schools using PTA forum’s
- h. Families in debt, can we get them advice?
- i. Food banks and the running thereof.

It was suggested that by defining specific roles SBL may get more interest shown from the public being willing and able to promote, manage projects, it was agreed that SBL in its current form just doesn't have the resource to carry through to fruition more ambitious projects.

It was also suggested that a “skills matrix” may help identify shortfalls in “skills required” (Please see attached and please add anything and it will be discussed at the next meeting as to its usefulness etc)

Any Other Business

Interviews for the coordinator role have concluded and a preferred candidate has been offered the role, timescales and start dates to be agreed, however, hopefully, it will be the beginning of May 16. (TBC)

At the Mayday event all SBL persons to wear the SBL T-shirts.

Spending money on the hubs, project requirements means that some people were using their credit/debit cards and claiming back, it was asked why SBL don't have their own card, it was stated that SBL are not an incorporated company and therefore cannot be granted this facility by a bank etc. It was agreed to keep petty cash at a higher level in the short term, however shopping on the internet to get the best deals mean that you have to use a card, suggestion from the writer.....could we use “PayPal”?

IT Junction support is coming up for renewal at the end of May, it was agreed in principle to continue with the support, Mel outlined the additional support and that the offer was for the next two years, Vice Chair has asked for a written proposal outlining the merits of the on-going support from IT Junction.

The chair clarified the situation on “door keys” there are 5 sets, 4 with Partnership and 1 set in the key keep at the door of SBL.

The meeting closed at 8:30pm

H A Crosby. (Volunteer & Partnership member)