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***General Meeting – Tuesday 14th January 2025 - 7pm St Nicholas Church***

Welcome: Fiona Heppelston, Janet Meleleu, Iain Blair, Natalie Ashworth, Wilf Day, Kath Riley, Danny Allen, Sue Holt, Mike Langan, Cherry Hughes

Apologies for absence: Emily Hewetson-Townley , Anna McEvitt, Jean Starkie, Mitchell Lord, Jo Blair, Margaret Ashworth, Julia Barrow

Minutes of the last meeting – all agreed true record of discussion.

1. Speeding and Road Safety Newchurch Rd update
Julia reported through Chair the results of Speeding Survey. 15% of cars passing through cameras were exceeding 35mph; and Lancashire CC doesn’t consider the average car speed a significant concern. Therefore, not considered sufficient risk for action to be taken. The survey outcomes have been passed on to another Lancs CC department dealing with level crossings.
Danny reported that he had circulated a survey via Facebook and local schools asking whether parents would consider walking their children to schools if there were traffic calming measures in place (such as level crossings). 100 parents responded and 51 parents responded that they would walk children to schools if they could use level crossings. Danny has shared the results with Lancashire CC.
The speed survey cost NVCA £438.60. Kath suggested we publicise our role in pursuing traffic calming measures to Newchurch residents.
ACTION: Fiona & Danny to create post for Facebook
2. Anti-Social Behaviour update (Natalie)
 Natalie attended Andy MacNae’s offices regarding the ASB around the new estate on Staghills. There have been incidences of cars being vandalised; people attacked, and St Nicholas School is having regular issues with vandalism and behaviour issues on perimeter of grounds. 5 or 6 residents are facing ongoing intimidation. It was agreed that there would be follow up discussions with Police and Together Housing – as far as Natalie knows these discussions haven’t happened.

Natalie & Fiona have had ‘a cuppa with the local police’- the police and Together Housing are aware of the situation on Staghills, and there has been some intervention with families. Further evidence is required to ensure Staghills is rated as a ‘hot spot’ and more resources are focused on the area. Police/Together Housing have asked that everyone seeing something/someone suspicious log the detail.
<https://doitonline.lancashire.police.uk/> - registering/creating a profile on the site assists regular reporting

<https://www.togetherhousing.co.uk/your-neighbourhood/anti-social-behaviour-asb/asb-reporting-toolkit/>

Natalie is hoping to call a further meeting at end of March with Andy MacNae, local councillors, community police and a Together Housing representative to raise ASB issues further. Natalie is aware that Community Link has been offering support to some of the families involved in conjunction with St. Nicholas’ School.

1. Events update
Events that have taken place include - Birds of Prey Event, Winter Craft Fair, local school Christmas Fair, Walking Nativity, Boars Head Quiz Night. Sadly not all events were well supported.

Kath and Mike have been giving consideration to entertainment at proposed Kirk Fayre. Potential contributors to be alerted to date (6th September agreed) and a preparation meeting date will be identified.
**ACTION**: Iain to liaise with Coconutters and St. Nicholas’ bell ringers; Mike and Kath to alert contributors they have identified. All to alert Kath to other potential contributors who could be involved in the Fayre.
2. Monies raised from Craft Fair, School Fair, Walking Nativity and Quiz Night (Iain)

Craft Fair £374.94
School Fair £ 25.10
Walking Nativity -£46.57
Quiz Night £145.51
5. Calendars £283.20 (+ further £18 to collect). It was agreed that a print run of 50 calendars was sufficient.

6.Christmas Tree and lights on green
Fiona to contact RBC to re-open discussion about hooking up to power supply for Christmas lights. Previously RBC have costed hooking up - £1500. Mike suggested setting up a Community Go Fund Me page to raise funds.

1. Christmas lights for tree in Little Park

Fiona has reported when lights have blown off the tree on several occasions. We have been told the lights need to be replaced. Fiona to email RBC to get an update.

1. RBC Plant donation

Danny has asked for 2 trays of perennials for Green and Little Park.

1. AOB

No update on website domain. Danny has completed the NVCA Gallery page.

School parents have approached Natalie about use of Woodside Hut. Natalie has passed on RBC contacts that NVCA representatives dealt with.

**Date of next meeting: 18th March**