

Godmanchester Community Association Minutes 11/09/03

Those present were: Gordon Allgood, Stuart Bond, Brenda Hennessey, Elwyn Hughes, Patrick Hull, Jean Morgan and Will Morton.

Apologies were received from: Shirley Brown, Alan Hooker and Richard Morton.

Correspondence SB ran through the correspondence sent and received since the previous meeting. A number of actions resulted from this.

1. After SB asked for someone to run the Lucky Numbers next year, GA suggested Doris Anderson might like to become involved. He was asked to speak to her about it.
2. BH felt that the number of 'private enterprise' stalls on Gala Day were not in keeping with the nature of the event and there was general support for this point of view. However, after discussion, it was agreed that it was the nature of the stalls which caused the objection. Craft type stalls were felt to be alright.
3. JM was asked to investigate the possibility of gaining sponsorship from local industries for next year's Gala Day.
4. SB read out a very supportive letter from the Police after Gala Day, offering the presence of the Police Dog display team and Community Liason Officers next year. **Action. SB to book them for next year.**
5. **Action. SB to write to Sealed Knot to ask for their invoice asap.**
6. SB read the suggested description of the achievements of the Community Association which was necessary for the purposes of the Company Return. This was accepted. For the same reason, the explanation of the reasons for keeping C.A. funds in reserve was also accepted.
7. **Urgent action. SB and NR to discuss changes to the notification of income to Bulley Davey.**

Fireworks Display

AH had asked for permission to spend £2.5k on fireworks. This was accepted with the proviso that they should all be airborne so they were visible to all. NR had estimated that insurance on the day should cost about £500.

As entrance prices hadn't been increased for a number of years, it was suggested by SB that there should be an increase this year, BH felt that any increase should be on adult prices only. It was agreed that adult prices should go up to £3.50, advanced child tickets should go up to £1.25 and child tickets on the night should be unchanged at £2.00.

BH was asked to check if Maggie would provide the bar and to liaise with AH about the sale of fluorescent wands.

EH was asked to write to the Town Council to book Judith's Field.

PH was asked to check on the provision of mulled wine. He was further asked to remind Charles Looker about the bonfire, the stakes and the guy competition.

Sh B would be asked to produce the posters for the event.

AH would be asked to contact the pyrotechnic team and to organise the fairground rides.

SB was asked to invite the Mayor.

FC would be asked to contact the Princess in order to light the fire.

BH asked that members of the Association should indicate their willingness to assist on the night. In particular she thought it would be helpful if they would volunteer to help clear up at the end of the night from 9pm onwards. She would like to have a list of names of people who had committed to this.

The meeting noted with great pleasure that HF's operation appeared to have been a success.

The next meeting will be held on 9th October.