**Shadoxhurst Village Forum - Minutes**

**34th Village Forum Meeting**

**on**

**Monday 9th May 2022**

**In the Village Hall at 7.30pm**

* To maintain the quality of life for all in the village
* To generate issues that could be put to the Parish Council
* To re-kindle community spirit and engender friendship
* To build a social feeling in the village
* To suggest things that will bring people together
* With a Vision to create and develop a positive community spirit.

1. **Welcome and apologies for absences – Karen and Ron Battersbe**
2. **Positions of Chairman/Facilitator and Note Taker Peter with Lis making some notes**
3. **Issues raised on the notes from previous meeting** (4th April 2022).None
4. **Review of recent events:-** May – Music Quiz on 7 th May - Cancelled – thoughts on why lack of take-up. – price, Maidstone hospital, number of people on table were all cited as possibilities along with the fact that some people do not like subject specific quizzes.
5. **Queen’s Jubilee weekend in June. See below**

**6 Ideas for / schedule of events in the second half of the year:-**

- **31st July** - Car Boot Fair – John confirmed date. Cars £7, Vans £10, Vehicles with trailer £13 (payment on the day). No Business vehicles or food trucks. Car Booters from 9am and buyers (free) from 10am. Car Booters can vacate recreation ground from 1.30pm. Agreed to supply (sell) refreshments tea/coffee and bacon rolls

- **24th September** – Race Night (John) – Activity confirmed, John explained how one was run. Price to be £5 per person, 6 to a table BYO food and drink.

- **8th October** – Quiz (Karen had previously confirmed in hand)   
- **26th November** – Saturday Craft Fair (Hannah)  
- **3rd December** – Christmas Wreath making workshop 2-4pm (Hannah) please continue to collect open pine cones as now is the time these will be available on the ground.

1. **Clubs and Groups news** 14th June will see the 6 year anniversary of the coffee club
2. **Parish Council Updates** David asked the forum for their thoughts on objecting to the proposed development at Possingham farm Bethersden (which would link to Chilmington). As a forum it was decided that should anyone wish to voice their objections these should be done on a personal level and not as a group.
3. **Any Other Business - none tabled**
4. **Date of next meeting** – Monday 13thth June 2022, 19.30 in the Village Hall**.**

**5 Queens Jubilee Picnic**

* We ran through the plans for preparation, during and clear down of the week/day. Health and safety instructions, Job allocation, plan of field, signage etc.
* Jobs – see updated rota list attached
* Table allocation – History club confirmed that they would like use of a table
* Emma confirmed that toilets were ordered and would be delivered well beforehand. She would purchase some padlocks to keep them secure before use on the day.
* David confirmed that the Biffa bins were ordered and would arrive on the Friday and collected on the Monday afterwards.
* Emma confirmed that the work on the play equipment should be finished by 24th May so should not impact on the day except there will be new play equipment able to be used.
* Volunteers - who and contacts. Please, anyone who has names of prospective volunteers, send their names and contact details to Peter ASAP - thanks
* Cake competition was clarified and invitation now worded as: **Best Home Decorated Cake, Cupcakes or Tray bake etc. (Home made or shop bought)**
* We looked at the games/gazebos and equipment we have already purchased/obtained. Need to purchase cups with lids for volunteer’s coffee during morning and sweets/lollies for prizes for games stations etc.(Peter and Lis will do a Bookers run)
* We decided that between us we should have enough hi viz jackets. David will source the hoops for the litter collecting bags
* Set up time – volunteers 8am, club displays from 11am, Opus 32 from 11am, band from 2pm
* Input to village newsletter David requested this by Friday (13th) – Hannah offered to update the schedule and it was agreed that it would be printed on the other side of the Invitation leaflet – again this would be circulated with the village newsletter. It would also be published on social media with updates periodically.