

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

February 28th 2022 at Griffydam Primary School

Present: Sam Abbott, Sylvia Armiger, Carole & John Bramley, Simon Connell, Cliff & Judith Darby, George Denoon, Jane Elson, David Maltby, Beverley & Mark Morgan, Lesley Notghi, Alan & Brenda Robinson.

Apologies: Bill & Sheila Fisher.

BUSINESS MEETING

David Maltby, chair of the Community Group, chaired the meeting, and welcomed everyone. The minutes of the previous year's AGM were approved.

Matters arising

<u>Cunneries footpath</u>: No progress. Carole has been in touch with the Footpaths Officer, who has suggested that we should go for "dedicated" status for the path. This will involve contacting the landowners.

<u>Footpath alongside B5324</u>: The need for a path is generally agreed. According to the County Council, this would cost £60 000 to £100 000. There was some discussion about how to proceed. It was unanimously agreed that we should investigate external sources of funding, e.g. Breedon quarry.

The <u>defibrillator</u> is in place, and is checked regularly. However, it appears that it needs a new battery, at a cost of around £200, even though the machine has only been set up for 14 months, and has never been used.

Chair's report

David presented his report on the past year, which has been dominated by the pandemic. Some village activities (Tai chi, Pilates, running, art) have continued, while others are in abeyance (walks, French conversation). The annual litter pick took place recently. The pumpkin competition was a great success. Griffy well is now maintained by the Community Group, on behalf of the Parish Council. Our website has been updated, thanks to Sylvia. Robert Ward, who was a valued member of the community, has died after a long illness. Jane has taken Elaine's place as treasurer. In the coming year we plan to have a village barbecue and picnic to celebrate the queen's platinum jubilee, and an Open Gardens day.

Treasurer's reported

Jane presented an audited summary of the accounts. This showed a current balance of £492.09, slightly down on this time last year.

The two reports were unanimously approved.

Election of committee

The present committee, consisting of Sam Abbott, Carole Bramley, Lucy Brooks, Simon Connell, Cliff Darby, Jane Elson (treasurer), David Maltby (chair) and Alan Robinson (secretary), was reelected unanimously.

David thanked the committee for their work, and invited anyone interested to become a member.

Following the business meeting, <u>Steve Berry</u> from the International Certification & Training Academy gave an excellent talk and demonstration showing how a defibrillator can be used to save lives.