Banbury Community Action Group

Meeting notes from: Tuesday, 5th June 2018

Waitrose Community Room, Southam Rd, Banbury

Next Meeting: Catch-up **Tuesday 3rd July 2018, 7pm – 8pm**

Ye Olde Reindeer Pub, Parsons Street, Banbury

Thanks for coming Lynda, Chris (Chair), Harry, Lorraine (Notes), Colin, Hilary Apologies: None

Promotion: BBC Radio Oxford – Banbury Rocks Up

 Harry will email Iona to confirm that Philippe will be running an open day from midday on Saturday, 16th June.

GDPR

- Privacy Notice and Policy has been completed and is now on the website.
- Mailchimp: Mailing list sign-ups are now done via our contact page on the website either
 individually by residents or manually transferred from event sign-up sheets. It is set up as the
 double opt-in method requiring each email address owner to reply to an automated
 confirmation email.

Garden Noticeboard

- Installed with thanks to the Cherwell District Council team.
- Keyholders Chris and Harry
- Colin will send a poster for the Orchard picnic to Chris.

Picnic in the Orchard – Sunday, 24th June

- Banbury Town Council application process has been done.
- Laminated posters will be placed around Browning Rd Park.
- Local residents and families are organising the event.
- Peter will be asked if he can cut an area of grass possibly 13th/14th June.
- Colin will email Lorraine after the residents' meeting to let us know what BCAG assistance is required. Lorraine will circulate this to our volunteers.

Banbury Friendship Festival (BFF)

- We offer the Bridge St community garden as a venue for a bring and share lunch and the starting point for the early morning town walk including breakfast.
- The day had a good atmosphere and it was lovely to see the procession of children arriving from the under the canal bridge with their butterflies ready to plant.
- The community lunch was well attended including the Sri Lankan Society.
- The BFF team were very organised and sent a group of volunteers to pack away the event equipment which was very much appreciated.
- Lorraine will look into obtaining a music licence.

Bridge St Garden update

- Harry has ordered some flyers from Oxford Green Print who are an eco-friendly printing company.
- The price is reasonable for repeat orders.
- We should look into targeting events such as the council plant giveaway, free compost etc to hand out promotional flyers.
- Bought mulch and plants.
- Gazebo a request from a homeless project to borrow it for one day was approved.
- Kids Corner Café we advised them that they would need to approach John Slack at Cherwell
 District Council for permission to put chairs and tables on the tarmaced area of the community
 garden. BCAG has no objection to them using the space.



Bridge St Garden – Birthday Party 30th June 4pm-6pm

- BBQ / bring and share lunch plus a few games.
- Possibly contact John Slack to request extending our licence time to 9pm.

Leonard Cheshire Project

- Harry has been running gardening workshops at Agnes Court.
- Susan Woodward (volunteers' Co-ordinator) would like to open up Agnes Court for elderly people to do their gardening.
- The idea is to connect with community gardens around the town for the elderly to use.
- BCAG would act as a facilitating role and include the Bridge St. garden as a venue.

Outdoor Give or Take (Banbury Market Place)

- Lorraine has chased up our application with Cherwell District Council who confirmed receipt but is still waiting for approval.
- We will be notified of a decision by email.
- Provisional event date 21st July.

Accounts

Income figures have been sent to Alice and the accounts will be signed off on Friday.

Committee

• It is highly likely that the current volunteers performing the roles of the officers will be stepping down by the end of the current financial year - March 2019.

Next Catch-up Meeting

- Tuesday, 3rd July 2018. 7pm Ye Olde Reindeer Inn, Parsons Street
- Summer break there are no catch-up meetings in August.