Banbury Community Action Group

Meeting notes from: Tuesday, 3rd July 2018
Ye Olde Reindeer Pub, Parsons Street, Banbury



Next Meeting: Catch-up **Tuesday 4th September 2018, 7pm – 8pm Ye Olde Reindeer Pub, Parsons Street, Banbury**

Thanks for coming Chris (Chair), Philippe, Lorraine (Notes)

Apologies: Lynda, Manel, Colin

Promotion: BBC Radio Oxford - Banbury Takes Over

 Philippe and the garden volunteers did a brilliant radio recording to promote Bridge St. Edible Community Garden. You can listen to it again here: https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p06bmk0n

Picnic in the Orchard Review

- A lovely atmosphere with 36 residents and visitors attending from the local area.
- Thank you to Peter for shortening the grass in the circular picnic area and the town council parks team for professionally tidying it up!
- The children's craft activities and guiz were very popular.
- Improvements for the future:
 - Increase the number of volunteers for set up and pack away.
 - Purchase additional supply of event equipment for easy storage, accessibility and transport Lorraine will apply for a grant.
- Bring an extra supply of picnic food for visitors passing through.

Bridge St Garden 4th Birthday BBQ Review

- This was a nice relaxed afternoon of superb sunny weather, sharing food, chatter and family games
- 27 Visitors
- A few new people turned up who were interested in becoming involved in the garden.
- The 4pm 6pm time slot worked well.

Outdoor Give or Take (Banbury Market Place) 11am - 2pm Saturday 21st July

- We are now on the official Cherwell District Council market stall booking system.
- Online and offline promotion is in hand.
- Additional volunteers are needed to help with this.

General Discussion – group workings

As there were only a few of us present we chatted about a variety of things around how the bcag group works as a whole. Philippe and Lorraine will meet up before the end of the month to go through the tasks and CAG Project offshoot collaboration groups that keep the network moving along.

Committee Stepping Down

- At least 2 of the 3 volunteers performing the roles of the officers will be stepping down by the end of the current financial year - March 2019.
- Philippe is considering taking on a role informal chats are continuing.

Next Catch-up Meeting

- Summer break there are no catch-up meetings in August.
- Tuesday, 4th September 2018. 7pm Ye Olde Reindeer Inn, Parsons Street