

Minutes from the Quidhampton Annual Parish Meeting

25 May 2022

Present: Cllr Howard Rowley, Cllr Ken Taylor, Cllr Jacqueline Peters, Cllr Fiona West, Cllr Tim Duncalfe, Joy Wagstaff, Jennifer Tyler, Hannah Kimnell, John Cater and Cllr Pauline Church (Wiltshire Council).

Plus: Marisa Allen – Clerk/RFO, Lisa Drewett and Denise Rowley

Apologies: PCSO Jonathan Rose, Sabine Dawson, Emma Lovell, Cllr Pauline Donne, Cllr Paul Cripps and Bea Tilbrook

1. Welcome by the Chair

Welcome to the Annual Parish Meeting (APM) for 2022. The APM is the annual feedback session to the residents of Quidhampton by the parish council on activities supported on your behalf and a chance to hear about some of the future activities going forward.

Quidhampton Parish Council is a group of unpaid volunteers who oversee improvements to the upkeep and infra structure within Quidhampton, some changes are noticeable, some not as well publicised. QPC represent the views of all villagers on local matters, and we never forget that we are working on your behalf.

In the last 12 months we saw the easing of the Covid restrictions which had caused massive implications on all our lives, the easing allowed us to emerge and try to carry on as normal. You will hear about the effects of Covid in a later report.

We are making improvements to the village playground. The last upgrade before the new climbing frame occurred (we think) in the 1980's and this current PC are working very hard to give Quidhampton a play area we can be proud of. New mulch has been laid at the recreation ground and Vita Play have done an excellent job in re-surfacing the hard standing around the swing and slide as the original surface was breaking down.

We had a report from a tree surgeon which told us we had some diseased trees which had to be removed. QPC removed the dead elm trees, and the shrubs were cut back on the east and south sides by a parish council contractor. Fruit trees were planted around the playground which you will hear more of later. Overgrown vegetation in the recreation ground was dealt with by the parish council as part of a re-fencing project. Mixed native hedging plants were planted on the north side in mid-year by the Nature Group. Thanks to Emma Lovell and the team of helpers.

The PC has been squirrelling money away for the last couple of years and we also secured a grant for half the funding for a new fence, QPC supplying the rest of the finances, so we now have new fencing around the periphery edge. We still need to sort out a stock fence to stop the cows damaging the new fence, a task for this year.

The bench in the recreation ground has been refurbished instead of throwing away and buying a new one and it looks magnificent.

We have a contract for grass cutting the playground, same contractor clears and cuts the grass footpath.

The playground passed the ROSPA annual safety inspection, the actions in the report were completed satisfactorily. We have 2 playground monitors in Fiona West and Pauline Donne who actively look after the playground and do a splendid job.

We are in the process of negotiating with Wilton estates for a new playground lease, the current one has been in existence for over 30 years.

QPC have purchased two dog bins which are now in place, we have a contract for them to be emptied. It's not all glamorous work!!

We own a phone box which is being used as a book exchange.

We own SID and SID which is being moved around the pre-positioned sites within the village and on the A3094. During the year we had an approach from Fovant PC, in their words 'to learn better how to use the SID data to construct arguments a) encourage the police to make visits at high intensity times and b) possibly to inform new ideas for traffic calming. The approach came because we are very active in road safety. Thanks to Councillor Tim Duncalfe and team who provided assistance and looking after SID.

Thanks to the dedicated group of villagers who are working within the Community Speedwatch scheme. The CSW team have been very effective in reducing vehicle speeds and making it safer to walk at the side of the road which you will hear about later.

We are working very closely with the village hall committee as the village hall registration as an asset of community value is about to run out.

The climate change work group report to QPC on green ideas and the interactions we have with Wiltshire green incentives. One example of the work of the group was enquiries were made with Wiltshire Council to enable QPC to be able to apply for special attention to provide wildflower verges. Thanks to Ken Taylor for leading.

A few words on Quidhampton Quarry. Following the public consultation QPC arranged a questions and answer session with the chief town planning officer where we received an open and honest appraisal. We are actively engaged even though the quarry isn't in our parish but might affect us. We also passed on views about the Churchfields long term plans to potentially change or add housing.

Councillors attend meetings such as Highways and SWWAB (South West Wiltshire Area Board) to get the local picture and have the chance to influence local decision making. We receive updates from Wiltshire council and the police so that we can react to issues concerning Quidhampton residents.

We funded an invoice fraud awareness course in the village hall for residents which was well received and also courses on using computers.

I would like to highlight a few of the things where our focus lies over the next few years.

We made a successful presentation to CATG who are funding the provision of the footpath/traffic calming in Quidhampton. Expect to see these measures starting to be implemented in this financial year, info on the scheme is on the QPC website.

The annual litter pick organised by QPC didn't go ahead as we were not encouraged to do so because of the Novichok incident. Next year we will push for a new date.

The Salisbury Junctions improvement scheme involves Park Wall junction in the plans and incorporates a new cycle route. We are involved with the Cycle liaison panel to keep us informed.

I'm particularly grateful to Mel Camilleri who came in as a temporary clerk and completely changed the way QPC works and has left us with systems in place that are fit for purpose. Mel has sorted out the tax/NI liability through the HRMC gateway and this liability has been reduced to zero eliminating any business tax we could have paid and claimed back the VAT we were owed. I will be sad to see the loss of Marisa Allen as our clerk and she leaves with our best wishes.

Finally, I am grateful to the hard-working team of Parish councillors who put a lot of unseen work and time into their unpaid duties to make Quidhampton tick. Each one of these people has those special and sometimes unique attributes that helps make the parish council function.

Public Open Forum:

Parishioner Lisa Drewett raised a question on the positioning of SID and her particular concerns at the junction of Lower Road / A3094. Further details of SID are reported further into the meeting, but it was suggested that PCC should be invited to observe here on more than one occasion. Cllr Pauline Church is keen to get a new metric out and invites W3W location suggestions for placement. A CATG suggestion for white picket fences and signage improvements at Mill House may see a decrease in motoring speed in that area.

2. The **Minutes** of the **Annual Parish Meeting** held on 31 July 2021 were approved.

COMMUNITY REPORTS

[Wiltshire Council](#) – Pauline Church

Ukraine

Figures as at the beginning of the month indicate more than 280 Wiltshire households have been matched with Ukrainian refugees as people fleeing the war-torn country start arriving in the county. Approximately 1,500 households are registered for the Homes for Ukraine scheme in Wiltshire. Currently 288 homes have been matched with 794 individuals and 307 visas have been issued.

Wiltshire Council has produced a welcome pack available on the council website and the government website is a good source of information. All these links can be found on my Cllr Pauline Church Facebook page posted on 27th April.

LH-FIGS Local Highways and Footway Improvement Groups

It was agreed last month's cabinet meeting that CATGs (Community Area Transport Groups) would be replaced by LH-FIGS (Local Highways and Footways Improvement Groups).

This initiative, which is one I was pushing for, provides increased funding for local communities to improve minor highways and footpath works

The new LH-FIGs would retain the same role as CATGs but will have greater scope to also improve or repair infrastructure – for example, footway improvements or drainage works. The overall budget for

the new LH-FIGs would also increase from £250,000 currently with a further £400,000 of the council's capital funding, of which £250,000 will be made available to the LH-FIGs + £150,000 used to provide additional officer resource to progress work more quickly. I welcome this decision as in my view it currently takes far too long to complete requests once approved.

Area Boards

There are also revisions to how Area Boards operate – these were set up in 2009 and it was essential they were brought up to date. The key changes are:

1. Grant applications will not be accepted after the 4-week deadline which this time is the 1st June (because of the processes involved in (5) below)
2. Parish Councils can no longer apply for capital “community area” grants, but they can for revenue grants from the Health & Wellbeing Budget and Youth Budget (this includes SIDs, Pedestrian Gates, and Finger Posts)
3. The maximum amount an applicant can apply for without needing to find match funding is £500, reduced from £1,000.
4. The maximum amount an applicant can apply for with match funding is £5,000
5. The local CEM and/or local area board can refer an application to a new Grant Assessment Panel (Cabinet Member for Communities and Assoc Director for Communities) where the applicant is
 - Requesting over £5,000
 - Not from a voluntary or community sector organisation
 - Applying to multiple boards (more than 3)

Lastly – SWWAB intend to cap all capital grant requests received in 2022/23 to 10% of the overall budget allocation, i.e., £2487 – due to the 50% reduction in this budget allocation this is so that not one application wipes out the funding pot and it can be shared more widely.

£150 Energy Rebate

As you will know a £150 energy rebate is being paid to households in council tax bands A-D to help with the rising cost of energy almost 150,000 households in Wiltshire are eligible.

As of last week, WC have paid out over £15.6 million to 104,000 eligible households who pay their council tax by direct debit. The council is now writing to around 43,000 eligible households that don't pay their council tax by direct debit, inviting them to submit their bank details so that this one-off payment can be paid into their bank account.

A36 Toucan Crossing

Signals are now in place but not yet operational – this was expected to be completed last week – I chased Redrow on Monday and they are awaiting a status update from Siemens the signal contractor.

Thank you

Finally, I wish to thank the members and the community of Quidhampton for all they have achieved this year – from a successful WC Highways Substantive Bid (via CATG) to continuing with business as usual

after changes of clerk. It is admirable how members muck in and work together. My case work in Quidhampton has mainly involved housing, parking, highways, and planning issues. We need to keep a keen eye on developments at Quidhampton Quarry and at Netherhampton and I thank this council for making active and frequent contributions to the Salisbury Neighbourhood Planning team and Wiltshire Council's planning department.

As we emerge from Covid, I appreciate it has been difficult for many families and I hope everyone has an opportunity to enjoy the Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

Community Policy Report – PCSO Jonathan Rose (read by Howard Rowley)

I have done a search in the past 3 months occurrences and crimes in the area. There are 16 occurrences 6 of which have been crimed.

There are 3 Vehicle Offences, 2 Violence Against a Person and 1 Criminal Damage – these have been crimed and are assigned to response officers.

7 Public Safety occurrences and 2 Police Activated Occurrences.

The 3 vehicle offences are theft from a motor vehicle so if you could just let members know to be vigilant.

A parishioner further reported on thefts from vehicles, outbuildings, and premises in the village just last week.

Community Speed Watch – Joy Wagstaff

In 2020/21 we lost some members of the team due to moving away from the village. We also had long term members who felt that it was time to retire from shifts. I would like to record grateful thanks to all of them.

We have welcomed Fiona West and Pauline and Carlo Donne to the high viz 'gang'.

We share our device with Wilton and until recently had it for two weeks in every month. As from May 2022 we have agreed that we will have it every third week. Wilton, Quidhampton and then week off for both villages. It can be hard for people to commit to two dates in a fortnight and Wilton and I hope that this will help our volunteers. The devices are old technology and has been replaced twice in the last year. This has meant we have not been able to do so many shifts. This has impacted on statistics I forward to the police. However, the SID (speed indicating device) has provided a very welcome tool to evidence speed and number of vehicles using our road. I would like to thank Tim Duncalfe for his help in downloading the data and distributing it. SID uses two batteries, and I would like to thank Tim and my husband for changing them -they are very heavy! We have moved, at least once, SID into all the agreed positions. Sometimes Tim puts 'SID 'into 'spy mode' and this gives us comparable data on speeds without a warning light.

I would ask the Parish council, in the future, to consider buying solar powered simple SID's as reminders for each end of the village. From my observations, most of the speeding is due to drivers not thinking about their speed.

We have made contact with Scott Garcia from Wiltshire Police who has the role of supporting speed watch teams. He is hoping to have a speed watch session with three teams through the village!

I would like to record my thanks to all our small team for their continuing support. It would be good to have more volunteers.

Food for thought

The Sunday Times on 15 May 2022 had an article that said 'speeding causes three times as many road deaths as previously thought. At 20 mph there is a negligible risk of death. Wales will change most 30 mph to 20 mph from April 2023.

Speed Indicator Device – Tim Duncalfe.

SID records each individual vehicle and its speed. The data is anonymous, it does not record registration plates.

On average Quidhampton has 20,000 vehicles passing through the village each way per month.

SID can operate in two modes, active mode where speed is displayed or stealth mode where the sign remains black. Operating like this has enabled us to gather data to determine if SID is effective at reducing speed. When SID is in active mode the average speed has been 21mph vs 24mph when in stealth mode. This shows most of the speeding is likely 'accidental' and that SID is effective in reducing speed.

If the villagers feel it worthwhile the purchase of a second SID could be an effective method of reducing speed in the village. The cost of a SID is between £1500-£2500.

Quidhampton Village Hall – Hannah Kinnell.

Hirings

Our hall hirings have increased and along with Government Grants received we are now in a healthy position to be able at last commit to some long overdue refurbishments, it is hoped that these will help maintain & improve the hirings we currently have. It is hoped that this work will help to keep our energy bills at a minimum.

Hirings Financial Year

Ending March 2022 = £4,161.00

Ending March 2021 = £75.00 (Covid)

Ending March 2020 = £2,824.00

Ending March 2019 = £185.25

Work is currently being done by the committee to maintain the expenditure on the utilities at a minimum.

Bookings

May 2021 – Quidhampton Village Hall re-opened after the Covid lockdowns with ongoing restrictions for hirings.

Throughout the last year special Covid hire terms and a strict hygiene regime were legally required to keep the hall open and all users as safe as possible. This was successfully managed by Sabine Dawson's hard work and dedication.

The Government's Covid restrictions were only lifted recently in April 2022.

Despite the extra challenges, it was a busy, successful year for Hall Hire.

Summer 2021:

2 Wiltshire Council Elections

Cardiac Exercise Classes (not running anymore)

Children's Holiday workshops

Start of Get Connected Computer workshops: several IT sessions have successfully been held since then.

Regular Hirers – weekly, ongoing:

Yoga Classes – Mondays

Martial Arts Group – Wednesdays

British Legion Band Practice – Thursdays

Occasional Hall Users:

Theatre workshops (non-village youth group)

Hall Renovations

Year 2021 – 2022: New Emergency Doors.

The only major work and corresponding expenditure last year was the re-provision of two emergency doors. As you will understand their efficiency is crucial. However, because of the previous lack of funds, the emergency doors we had become old with many areas of rot. More importantly, the doors sometimes stuck, and it took strong hands to open them. You will be pleased to know that two professionally made doors with all the appropriate fittings and other locking devices were fitted at the cost of £3,100.

Year 2022-2023 Replacement of All the Halls Windows

During this coming year our priority will become windows. The Hall has nine wooden framed windows. Five windows in the older part of the Hall, that is the main room, and four in the attached area at the back of the main room; that is, two windows in the kitchen and two in what is politely known as the Ladies Cloakroom. With two exceptions all nine windows have long since been unable to be opened. Their sash areas have been boarded up and have been painted over on numerous occasions. The Halls windows are old fashioned and beyond economical repair. We have invited a trusted and local windows man (Danny Nash) to provide a quotation for the replacement of all our windows. New windows will have to be custom made and will therefore be expensive. Furthermore, the five window frames of the main room should probably be made of wood, to blend in with the style of the building. We are probably looking at a quote of one thousand pounds (£1,000) per window to be made and fitted. So, overall, we have a guesstimate of a total of say, £10,000 for new Hall windows. Expensive! In the meantime, we are looking into the possibility of cheaper work being done to enable at least some of the windows to be opened to enable better ventilation within the hall.

New Lease

The long-term lease to the Hall trustees from 1991 expired in 2019 but was run on for 5 years by the then Rector and Diocesan Board of Finance (DBF) until March 2024. In early 2022, the new Rector, Revd Kevin Martin affirmed that he wants to establish a new hall lease for Quidhampton.

Status: He has advised the hall committee that his Bemerton Parish Parochial Church Council has approved offering a new 25-year lease for the village hall, and the Bemerton Parish has instructed their solicitor to draw up a new lease after receiving permission from Salisbury Diocesan Board of Finance.

That sounds complicated, but there are various parties involved and we are all moving toward an agreement with potentially long-term significance.

Asset of Community Value

The 5-year registration of the hall by Wiltshire Council as an Asset of Community Value expires in July, and the hall committee has requested the Parish Council to apply to re-register it. The re-registration is an item on the parish council's agenda to consider approving later this evening.

Registration has significant advantages. Most importantly for the hall at present, it signifies the importance of the village hall to the community and provides an important advantage when seeking grant funding. And in recent years grants have been important, e.g., in helping pay for the more major repairs such as the kitchen roof replacement in 2020, and at lesser cost to help get Wi-Fi established. There are other advantages giving some planning protection against any proposed change of use, should that ever arise.

A parishioner suggested UPVC sash windows as an option – to be discussed / considered as long as restoring the historic look of the building.

Village Entertainment Fund – John Cater

The Village Entertainment Fund is “what it says on the tin”- a fund of money used to help promote village events which are open and available to all villagers. The fund has been in existence for nearly twenty years.

Its source of income is mostly two-fold:

1. the profit made from village events, and sometimes competitions.
2. donations made by generous villagers.

The fund is administered by a treasurer (currently John Cater), two overseers who are village residents (currently Viv Bass and Jonathan Young) and the fund is periodically spot-checked (an informal audit) for accuracy by another village resident (currently Ron Smith). All four administrators are well known and trusted within the village.

The fund is seldom worth much as £2,000 and there is no record of it having more than £3,000. As its name implies, the fund is spent on entertainment of some form; for example: village-wide parties; festive decorations; fireworks; competition prizes: donations to charities and other organisations which have helped the village “entertain” in some way; etc.

Over the last year the money into the funds has exclusively come from our brilliant fireworks show and expenditure mostly for the Christmas tree and lighting.

As of 31st March 2022, the fund was worth £1,945.69 in the bank and £12.63 was held in cash. At the time of writing the fund is scheduled to be checked on 10th May 2022.

Howard Rowley added that the fund has provided for Jubilee mugs as gifts to the children of the village.

Community Emergency Volunteer – John Cater

Like all elements of central and local government our parish is expected to maintain an Initial Response Plan covering how we would deal with civil emergencies.

Quidhampton has such a plan which is authorised by our Parish Council.

The plan is a compendium of the most likely civil emergencies to befall us and the names and contact telephone-numbers of volunteer villagers who have the appropriate skills and/or equipment, and/or accommodation to help in emergencies.

Copies of the Plan are distributed to:

- The professional, local Emergency Services, e.g., Police, Fire, Ambulance etc.
- The Members of the Parish Council.
- The Volunteers mentioned within the Plan.

The plan is modified every two years and/or sooner if the turnover of volunteers makes it necessary.

The Covid Pandemic.

Although the plan was normally, and still is, envisaged to be used in reaction to local, short-term emergencies (e.g., major road and rail accidents, flooding, impassable roads, loss of power and other utilities etc.) it really came into its own when the nation-wide Covid 19 Pandemic emergency cropped up, because the village already had a basic list of volunteer residents and their contact details.

As is known, the pandemic was serious, complex, and new to the nation. As a result, the Government's reaction was largely to feel its way and to react as the situation and medical advice changed. Correspondingly, the village Covid Group provided a remarkable level of help, coordination and advice to the village as well as providing and organising help with such matters as: passing on formal advice, visits to GPs and hospital; shopping, visits to the housebound, particularly to those who needed consolation and conversation.

Although advice and conversation are still provided to those who need and welcome it, the Covid Group's formal business was wound up on the 1st of April 2022, in keeping with the Government's proclamation regarding the withdrawal of measures which had put in place to protect everyone.

Howard Rowley expressed his thanks to John for fortuitously setting up the Covid Group.

Flood Warden – Ken Taylor.

In 2021, the longstanding flooding on Lower Road near Bemerton Farm was resolved by the tenant farmer and landowner Wilton Estate by clearing the outfall for the drain in the adjacent field.

Climate change is believed to increase the other flood risks in Quidhampton, with run off flooding during severe downpours believed the main issue that householders should be aware of:

In more detail the two main risks of flooding are:

1. River flooding in an extreme event.

Fortunately, the ancient village of Quidhampton village was located well above the floodplain of the rivers Nadder and Wylde. An extreme 1000-year return river flood event is not predicted by the

Environment Agency flood maps to affect even the two lowest residential properties in the village. However, some rear gardens south of Lower Road often are under water in wetter winters.

2. Run off flooding during heavy rains is an increasing issue.

Residents are asked help council officials and the flood-warden, who may be away at the time, by taking photos during flash flooding and make reports via MyWilts App to provide further evidence of the nature of the problems.

There is a one-off opportunity for Wiltshire Council to improve rainfall runoff on Lower Road by adjusting levels of the roadway and gully's when it is resurfaced. Resurfacing has been scheduled for the year ending March 2023

Blocked drains during heavy downpours remain a problem in three locations, as raised with Wiltshire Council. Remedial work has generally ranked low.

i) a blocked drain at the entrance to Locke's Lane, and a risk to properties, was being investigated by Wiltshire Council and Wessex Water. *The outfall has not yet been located, despite some investigation.*

iii) Lower Road is flooded frequently at the A3094 T junction, owing to runoff from the A3094, posing a risk to one residence. More frequent visits by a suction truck appear to have eased the problem.

iv) Some years ago, flash flood water coming down Foothill, overtopped Lower Road going into a property. Cut off surface drain was installed.

Contact the flood warden if you anticipate a risk to your property, and help will be given to access the advice and support available from Wiltshire Council and the Environment Agency.

[Communications](#) – Bea Tilbrook. (Read by Ken Taylor)

Village Newsletter

As announced at the parish meeting last year, I have taken a break from producing the newsletter and the last edition was September 2021. Personal circumstances mean my break did not really begin until March this year so I am not yet ready to say when – or even if - I will resume the newsletter.

I received several wonderful tributes from people who live outside the village saying how much they will miss it.

Community email

I have continued the emails which are more frequent because there is no newsletter.

I try to strike a balance between village issues and information without making them emails so frequent that people do not read them properly or ignore them.

Village wide communication

Between 60 - 65% of homes are on the email list which I'm told is a high proportion in a community like a village. If communication to the whole village is necessary, then printed letters or leaflets can be delivered to the remaining homes by the team of newsletter deliverers.

People who do not have email

There are older people who like to receive village news and can feel cut off. Some are housebound.

The idea of a monthly summary of relevant emails written and distributed to them was taken up by two sets of volunteers but nothing regular has materialised.

The possibility of this monthly summary was mentioned in my last newsletter but not many people asked for it. Several people have said they didn't see it and I'd like to publicise it again and hope to get a volunteer to organise it.

We must remember, strange as it seems to us, that there are people who live in this village who will have no interest in the community, and that is normal.

Noticeboard There is still no readily accessible noticeboard for villagers – a request will be put to the PC at the next meeting.

Other activities

The village book and plant swaps continue and are very successful indeed with a great selection of books. It is now in the telephone box, but storm damage means the door does not shut properly. Rob Smith of Boyeswood House has tried to mend it but the problem continues. I dread waking up one day to find the door has swung open in a rainstorm and all the books are ruined. Neither Emma Lovell nor I (joint organisers) know what to do about it.

Picnic with plant, cake, and craft sale

Emma Lovell, Tat Tomalin and I organised this event to raise money for Ukraine and to encourage people to use the recreation ground (aka Quidhampton play park). We raised £550 and lots of people came to the park who hadn't been before, including some new village families. Villagers who couldn't come generously gave £100 beforehand.

Another reason for being in the park was that several villagers are still worried about being in the hall for health/covid reasons.

[Quidhampton Nature Project](#) – Emmal Lovell. (Read by Howard Rowley)

Quidhampton Nature Project was set up with the aim 'to build awareness of our natural environment, amongst children and adults alike, and to promote activities that support the enhancement of that environment.'

The following projects have been undertaken by the Quidhampton Nature Project, or individuals from the group.

- Organised by Emma Lovell, and paid for by the parish council, four trees were planted by villagers (three fruit and one rowan tree) along the eastern edge of the playground. These were planted to replace the felled trees and vegetation in this area and will hopefully encourage more wildlife and community use of the space.

- Two re-wilding areas have been created in the recreation ground. One along the northern edge and, one next to the gate as you enter. These areas have been intentionally left un-mown to allow wildlife to flourish. They have been marked with blue hearts as part of the BLUE campaign, which aims to 'rewild Britain, one garden at a time.' (Please see <https://bluecampaignhub.com/> for more information).

- 100 donated native hedging plants were planted by villagers along the northern edge of the recreation ground. Again, the aim is to encourage wildlife and biodiversity to the area.

- Working with Salisbury Transition City and their 'Hedgehog Highways' project, villagers were provided with advice and support on making their gardens more hedgehog friendly to help create 'Hedgehog Highways' throughout the village.

- Several swift boxes were installed on properties around the village, using funds raised from the Quidhampton Nature Project photo competition.

Howard Rowley thanked to all volunteers for their efforts.

4. Jubilee Celebrations Update

Friday 3rd June there will be a band in the pub

Saturday 4th June – the road will be closed between Sovereign Close and Locke's Lane from 12pm-6pm to allow for a 'street party'. Tables will be set up and residents invited to attend with their picnics, with entertainment planned for all age groups. Bunting is being put up this weekend. The afternoon will end at 5pm to allow time for clearing and the road opening again at 6pm.

In the evening there will be Rock 'n' Roll Bingo at the pub.

5. Howard thanked everyone for their attendance and input. There is plenty to work on and take forward in the coming year.

The meeting closed at 8:24pm