

# Annual General Meeting of Holmes Chapel Partnership

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Held on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at 11.30 a.m.

At St Luke's Church Hall, Holmes Chapel

## **Partnership Attendees:**

Glyn Chambers, Dorothy Davidson, Stuart Gammon, Les Gilbert, Phil Hargreaves, Hazel Sutcliffe. Teresa Mcfarquhar, Kathy Cornford.

Supported by and thanks to: Linda Gammon, Martha Chambers and Graham Middleton Everybody Sport and Recreation.

## **Minutes:**

### **1. Previous Minutes**

- The Minutes of the AGM held on the 25<sup>th</sup> October 2014 were approved.
- There were no matters arising.

### **2. Chairmans Report**

The Chairman Offered a warm welcome to everyone and commented that it had been yet another successful year for the Partnership.

#### **Looking over the past year**

In looking back over the past year The Chairman highlighted the following successes:

- **Completion of the Dane Meadow Project.**

After over 2 years of hard work and raising funds of around £200k the Dane Meadow was now fully open and being enjoyed by all.

- **Elm Drive Play area Improvements.**

Despite a few problems the project has delivered an important resource for the Village Community following;

- Extensive consultation
- Replacement of old equipment with new, challenging equipment
- Football pitch levelled and general access improved

- **2014 Christmas Market:**

This was the 3<sup>rd</sup> Christmas market and it was bigger and better than ever with;

- Over 40 stalls, plus entertainment from dancers and singers
- Part sponsored by the Parish Council
- **Support for 2015 Village Fair**
  - Assisted with planning and financial management
- **Ongoing participation in the SECCAG cycling forum**
  - We continue to be a leading member of this group
- **Support for the new Junction 18 business forum**
  - Working with John Curran to revive the forum
- **Review of New Residents Welcome Pack**
  - Revised, expanded and well used.
- **Development of Community Newsletter**
  - Listening to comments
  - Improving layout and content
- **Support for the new village community centre**
  - Liaising with Parish Council
  - Providing ideas for facilities for the community
- **Planning 2015 Health & Wellbeing Campaign – with Everybody Sport & Recreation**
  - The Chairman highlighted the latest exciting project for 2015 being the 2 Gs Grand Challenge giving people choices over their levels of fitness
- **Working with other Town Partnerships**
  - Regular meetings with Alsager, Congleton, Middlewich and Sandbach Partnerships
    - Start of Health & Wellbeing Project across 5 Towns
  - Support for Partnerships in other areas.

### **Looking Forward to 2015/16**

The chairman reported that there was plenty to do in coming year including:

- Health & Wellbeing Campaign / Partnership with Everybody Sport and Recreation with the launch of The 2 Grands Challenge
- 2015 Christmas Market – thanks to the Parish Council for helping with costs
- Continuing with Community Centre consultation regarding naming the centre.
- Assisting Skateboard Park project – led by PCSO Jill Cope
- Further projects arising from Parish Plan / Neighbourhood Plan

The Chairman continued by noting the support as always by a great committee but with a few changes including loss of two long standing members (Jacqui Barton and

Heather Jones) and our Youth Rep (Bill Armstrong). However the partnership were pleased to have new members (Liz Osborn and Teresa Mcfarquhar), with a vacancy for a Youth Rep.

A very special thanks was given to the ladies in the kitchen including the chairman's wife Mrs Gammon and Teresa Mcfarquhar

In completing his report the chairman thanked the community for their continuing support and confirmed that there will be elections for honorary posts at the 2016 AGM.

### **3. Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's report of the Partnership's finances for the year ending 5<sup>th</sup> April 2015 is detailed in the Appendix.

Highlights include the three year funding commitment of £8,000 per annum from Cheshire East Council. It was also noted that the Christmas in 2014 Fair was in a break even position (modest profit of £16.00).

### **4. Questions from the Floor.**

- A question was raised regarding the opening of the new community centre.
  1. The chairman confirmed that it would be opening in December and being run by Everybody sport and recreation.
- In replying to a question regarding the Grand 2G's challenge the chairman gave a brief overview of the project
  - The project capitalises on the unique bond between Grandparents and Grandchildren having fun and improving their heart health. Under 13s with their grandparent(s) will be encouraged to register, set a fitness goal, and encourage each other to make positive progress over a 6 month period.
  - There will be Preliminary assessments specifically professional assessment of heart health and fitness using questionnaires and non-compulsory physical measurements.
    - i. Discuss how best to improve heart health
    - ii. Set mutually agreed achievable but challenging targets.
    - iii. Provide reading materials, fitness trackers, exercise logs
- During weeks 1-13.
  - i. Participants follow prescribed plan, logging activities daily utilising individual fitness trackers.
  - ii. Completion of questionnaires quantifying current and heart health levels including anecdotal and physical evidence.
- During weeks 13-26.
  - i. Participants follow prescribed plan and log their daily activity.

Reporting of progress after 13 weeks through supplementary questionnaires.

- Finally a Review
  - i. Advice and referral pathway to continue beyond the 24-week period.
  - ii. Awards Presentations.
  - iii. Results and Evaluation.
  
- In conclusion the chairman encouraged all grandparents and their grandchildren to get involved to get fitter.

## 5. Close

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 12:00

## Appendix: Treasurer's Report for Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015

### INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

#### RUNNING COSTS

##### **INCOME**

Grant from Cheshire East Council £8000

##### **EXPENDITURE**

Running costs, including:

-Committee Meetings, AGM, admin expenses £362  
-Web fees £115  
-Public Liability insurance £326

Running Costs sub total £803

Project Officer £6000

Dane Meadow £116

**TOTAL EXPENDITURE** **£6919**

### CHRISTMAS MARKET

##### **INCOME**

Fees from Stallholders £945

##### **EXPENDITURE**

- Stall Hire £360  
- Stall transport £150  
- Fairground organ £125  
- First Aid £100  
- Advertising £36  
- Temporary Event Notice £21  
- Scouts (for assistance, refreshments) £25  
- Guides (for assistance, refreshments) £25  
- Expenses £57  
- St Luke's (room hire) £30  
- Electrician (paid by Parish Council)

**Total expenditure** **£929**

**CAPITAL**

Funds at start of year		
- Current Account	£6089	
- Cash	£13	
Total funds		<u>£6102</u>
Surplus on Running Costs		£1081
Surplus on Christmas Market		£16
<b>Total funds at end of year</b>		<b><u>£7199</u></b>
this includes balance of grants received for the following projects:		
- Dane Meadow	£1631	
- Cycling Village	£450	
- Christmas Market	£568	
<b>Therefore unallocated funds at start of 2015/16</b>		<b><u>£4550</u></b>