**OTTERHAMPTON PARISH RECREATION ASSOCIATION**

**Minutes of the OPRA Committee Meeting held at 7.30 pm on Monday, 10th June 2013**

**At 3 School Lane, Combwich**

**PRESENT** Robert Palmer (Chair) Sue Francis (Treasurer)

 Ann Leathwood (Secretary) Barry Leathwood

 Lyn Palmer (100 Club) Jacqui Sparks

 Tina Gardener (arrived 8.30 after another meeting)

 **13/26 APOLOGIES** None

 **13/27 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

Minutes of the meeting of 26th March 2013, were approved by the meeting and signed by the Chair.

 **13/28 MATTERS ARISING**

 OPRA Talks – The Treasurer gave details of the cost to OPRA in respect of last year’s talks. The figures show that overall the cost was not excessive. The more popular subjects brought in larger numbers and this cushioned the not so popular subjects. Discussion took place and it was agreed to write to Mervyn asking for the full programme of talks be arranged in time to be included in the September newsletter. Member of the committee offered to help if necessary. The Secretary agreed to check on availability of the Village Hall and book dates preferably on a Tuesday. It was agreed to keep the admission charges the same.

 Tractor – No progress as yet.

 **13/29 CORRESPONDENCE**

1) Village Hall Committee – re AGM and asking for a representative from OPRA. After contacting the OPRA Committee it was agreed that Tina be our representative.

2) Jay and Cynthia Tayler-Webb – re 100 Club, they are leaving the Village shortly and would be withdrawing their membership of the 100 Club.

3) Otterhampton Community Plan Steering Group – asking for grant of £100.00 to help with expenses for future meetings at Village Hall. - Discussion took place and it was agreed to write to OCPSG to inform them that OPRA will pay for the hire of the hall for 12 months as from 13th May. Also to say that we are also supporting them with printing of leaflets and posters.

**13/30 PAVILION**

The Pavilion is desperately in need of attention – the roof needs re-roofing and it was agreed to get in touch with Tim Bates to ask for a quote for this.

The outside needs to be painted – Robert and Lyn agreed to purchase paint, brushes, etc. and weather permitting those who were available on Saturday morning will hopefully paint it.

Inside urgently needs ‘sorting out’ – various suggestions were made as to how this could be done. The Bar is not now used and Tina agreed to contact Andy Ingram who originally built the bar to see if he had any use for it. Tina agreed to ask Mike (with the help of Committee members) to put racks in the pavilion to aid storage provision.

In the Barn there is a fridge and a till to go to the ‘tip’ and Jacqui agreed to arrange this. There is also a small chest freezer, this will be checked to see if it is working and if so we will arrange to possibly sell it.

 **13/31 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

BBQ – Lyn has been asked by Jean (from the Market) if we would like a BBQ. It is in good condition and is a good family size. It was agreed that Robert and Lyn will see the BBQ before making a decision.

100 Club accounts – Sue informed the meeting the accounts were almost ready. It was agreed to buy Mr Valentine-Slack a ‘bottle’ to say thank you for his help.

100 Club August Draw – As Lyn will be away for the August Draw it was agreed to hold a double draw in September.

Tractor Insurance – Barry agreed follow up a letter re the insurance.

OPRA September/October event – It was felt we should have an event after the summer holiday etc. Discussion took place and ideas ranged from a Barn Dance to a Quiz. Whatever we decided on would have to be held in the Village Hall as the Anchor is not available due to alterations taking place. A Race Evening was suggested and Tina agreed to contact Apple County to find out the cost of hiring the equipment etc.

Jacqui asked if she could borrow some of the OPRA games for their Fostering Day on 8th September. This was agreed.

 There was no further business and the meeting closed at 10.15pm

 The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 10th July 2013 at 32 Nursery Close.

Signed……………………………………….. Date………………………..