



Lavington & District WW1 Commemoration Group

Minutes of meeting held at The Green Dragon on 24th April 2018

Present:

Glyn, Michael Challinor, Lyn Dyson, Colette Carson, Carol Treloar, Pat Stacpoole, Ray Besant, Mike Bridgeman.

Action

Apologies:

Frank Jones, Toby Robson, Nick Hale, Emma Cheetham.

In the absence of Frank, Glyn chaired the meeting and Lyn made notes.

Activity Updates

1. Toposcope

Glyn reported that due to heavy work commitments he had been unable to talk to the MOD about the project. A meeting is needed to discuss the plans and talk it through with them. It was agreed that Glyn will e-mail Frank and ask him to arrange this.

Glyn

Glyn reported that Toby is still trying to get a quote for the disk for the toposcope [*Since the meeting Glyn has confirmed that the quote has been received and is attached*]. Glyn felt that there was already sufficient money to be able to pay Toby and he suggested that we should ask Toby to take over the plans and control the project, with help from the committee when needed. The committee members felt that a grant application to the Area Board should not be ruled out. A written quote from Toby would be needed for this. This should be an overall quote to include all the costs. The next meeting of the Area Board is 14th May. Glyn confirmed that he would be unable to complete an application, and no-one else volunteered at this stage.

Mike Bridgeman had discussed the project at the meeting of the Parish Council who were very supportive. The question of who would take responsibility for ongoing maintenance of the project was not discussed. He suggested that maybe the MOD would be the appropriate people to take it over as it was on their land. This should be included in the discussion with the MOD. Mike said the Parish Council wanted to know whether the RFC would be mentioned on the toposcope. It was agreed that Upavon would be marked as the first RFC base, and others may also be mentioned.

Pat

Glyn recorded thanks to Mike for the plans he had produced. Pat agreed to liaise with Toby the plan for the disk as he had a list of places to be recorded on it

2. 2018 Commemorative Musical Finale - 11/11/2018

Nick currently away but had reported that he was working on an hour long concert, with his piece lasting 10-15 minutes.

3. Treasurer's report

There was no change. Funds stand at just over £2000.

4. Signboards

Emma was looking at the permissions needed for these. [*Emma arrived after the meeting closed but reported her contact needed the exact location for the signs, Colette will email a copy of the Winnie walk map to her*].

Colette

5. Blue Plaque at Green Dragon

Glyn would forward the details by e-mail.

Glyn

6. Trees

Pat agreed to ask the church for a faculty for this.

Pat

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- **Publicity for the concert 11/11/2018 and the toposcope opening**

Colette asked about publicity and getting someone to open these events. It was agreed that it was too soon to start this as although we had dates we were working to, we needed to be a bit further along before making these arrangements.

- **The Tilshead Blue Plaque project**

Frank had asked whether the committee would be happy to permit the Tilshead group to use our banking facility so that they didn't need to go to the trouble of opening an account for their single project. Whilst the committee were in support of their project, it was agreed that as our group and its bank account would be winding up shortly and had already earmarked any surplus funds to the ongoing maintenance of our project, it would not be in the best interests of our group to become involved in funds which were not within our direct control. Regrettably the committee felt that they could not accede to this request. It was pointed out that opening a bank account was not a difficult feat.

Date for next meeting:

29th May 2018, 7pm, The Old School, Market Lavington. This is half term week, so date may need to change.