



Date:	Wednesday 12 th June 2019
Venue:	Puriton Sports Centre
Attendance:	Vanda Crow (VC) Chair Peter Beer – PB (WVM), Sharon Collard,(CPL) Simon Bale,-SB(V) Angela Gascoigne (AG), Julie Cooper (V)) (WVM), Julie Coleman(JC) (PVM), Sophie Cowdell (SC) (BLR), Sue Gould(SG)(PVM), John Lunn(JL) (PVM), Cyan Matthews(CM)(NVM) , Robert Hemms(RH)(NVM), Teresa Hemms(TH)(NVM), Jo Harris (JH) Minute taker
Apologies:	Lee Martin-Scull(LMS) (NVM), Alan Sharp (AS)(VCH), Lynda Norton LN (WVM), Joanne Plews(JP) (NVM), Bob Plews(BP) (NVM), Mo Retford MR (V), Peter Hardwidge (PW

WVM– Woolavington voting member

PVM – Puriton voting member

V – Visitor

NVM– Non voting member

CPL – Community project lead

BLR – Big local Rep

CH – Chair

VCH – Vice chair

Agenda

1. Introductions and apologies for absence.
Membership agreement, conflicts of interest
2. Agree minutes of May 9th meeting, matters arising and actions.
3. Brief update from – Woolavington Youth Theatre – Margaret and Amelia
4. Brief update from Sharon
5. Brief update from Simon Bale – Hello project
6. Finance

- 7. Teatime Topic – Training subjects to support groups and services. Community grants to include supporting small local business startup/publicity costs.
- 8. Community grants
- 9. A.O.B

Date of next meeting – 11th July 7pm – 9pm Thursday Woolavington – Village Hall.

<p>1.Introductions and apologies for absence. Membership agreement, conflicts of interest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There were a number of funding requests to be looked at, however only 1 WVM present in the meeting. To make the voting quorate, it was agreed that the vote be joint with proxy persons of the non-voting members. Show of hands to RH and TH to be proxy persons in this instance. • No conflicts of interest 	
<p>2.Agree minutes of May 9th meeting, matters arising and actions.</p> <p>Actions brought forward:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members to encourage the Puriton community to join the Village Together group • Villages Together to pre-populate a document which states that all grants received are on the understanding that the group adheres to current Safeguarding and DBS legislation. – SC raised concerns about the group feeling accountable for safeguarding. Which was discussed and re-iterated that the group is not responsible. It is a a supporting hand and has a duty to ensure grant receivers have these duties in place. • SC to provide any consented photos which could be used on the website to be sent to Simon 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SC to pull together for sign off a Measuring Outcome's Plan to be implemented for running projects. • Logo plaques to be purchased and supplied to groups • Discuss ways to link with the YWIES (Yew Wah China) School based at Knowle Hall. • AG to invite the SHAL Finance Manager Neil Allen to the September meeting • AG to invite Alison Bell from Public Health to discuss this project. AG had a discussion with Alison Bell, and gave her VC's contact details to link in with an early intervention meeting being held at Canal side Bridgwater later in the year. 	
<p>3. Brief update from – Woolavington Youth Theatre – Margaret, Heidi and Amelia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A big thank you from the Youth Theatre. • Noted improvement in the children's confidence and commitment to the group. • The group has now created a logo and ordered printed t-shirts to promote the group. They will be advertising in the Bridgwater Mercury, and attending Puriton Party in the Park. • The website goes live on the 14th June 2019 and the group will keep VT updated on progress through photos uploaded on to the website. • The theatre group took the children on an outing to see Aladdin at the cinema. 14 children currently attending the group. • There has been a notable improvement in the classroom for some of the children in speech, language and confidence since joining the group. • The next purchase they make will be for some head microphones. • 	

<p>4. Brief update from Sharon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SC has presented cheques to Puriton Pre School for Forest Club this month. • SC continues to promote the group and gain PVM. VC suggests putting an advert in the newsletter, JC and SG agree with this. • The Woolavington School project has been approved, Georgina from the school sends her thanks. • Teddy Bears picnic went well with 37 people predominately from Puriton in the Orchard. • Report in the Bridgwater Mercury • Rural Housing Week- SC asked for consideration of a grant for £1000, to support the cost of running this event discussed at previous meeting. It was discussed and agreed it should be based in Woolavington. - votes agreed • Emerging projects- YMCA have suggested that they would like to install benches (Happy to Chat) at the Community Orchard. Possibly run workshops for life skills, cooking, food handling. • Puriton Pre School may ask for funding to help support a school holiday provision. <p>Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VC suggests a meeting to oversee the youth participation from VT across the areas. With an agreed Youth Champion for the group JC with SC in her current role • Could we look to develop a Community Orchard in Woolavington-does anyone know of any space 	
<p>5. Brief update from Simon Bale – Hello project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loneliness awareness week next week, being covered by a number of groups Nationally. 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questionnaire is under development. • SB has been promoting the Hello project. It was discussed if this project could spread outside of the Puriton and Woolavington boundaries, for example; the Bawdrip Caravan Park would be an area of isolation. • SG asked for the invites to be sent out sooner to give more opportunity to attend. • Website is now up and running • Barriers SB has come across is comments such as 'that will never work' the group discussed how to overcome this negativity. VC suggested reading the book Sumo. SB is aware that the Rusty Road to Recovery project is running in Colley Lane , Bridgwater. <p>Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SB send out link to his survey for feedback. SB will be distributing these surveys in different public places each day next week, and requesting feedback. • SB would like to develop and run a project on how to say 'Hello' involving developing positive behaviours. • TH recommends SB to speak to Pete Hardridge regarding a possibility of implementing a maintaining bicycles course 	
<p>6.Finance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial Position Statement has been updated following from feedback at last month's meeting. • SHAL receives the funding every 6 months, so the group needs to be mindful of how much they can authorise to offer in grants in that funding period. Therefore, the planning of the grants authorised and making SHAL aware of these is key to 	

<p>SHAL being able to request the funding from The Local Trust.- noted by the VT group</p>	
<p>7. Teatime Topic – Training subjects to support groups and services. Community grants to include supporting small local business startup/publicity costs.</p> <p>Action Advertise on social media that the VT group is looking for local entrepreneurs who would like some funding to progress there ideas.</p>	
<p>8. Community grants</p> <p>Woolavington Village Hall have submitted projects:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. £20,000 to provide storage space in the existing village hall Rejected- this request does not form part of the Villages Together objectives. 2. £500 sponsor a leaflet/catalogue 3. £1000 improve access to a compound 4. £579.99 provide a printer 	<p>Sharon can you add comments to this please?</p>
<p>9. AOB: Events Coming Up 5th July 2019 Barn Dance at Woolavington Sports Field 6th July 2019 Free Family Fun Day Woolavington Sports Field 6th July Ian Valentine and Two Tone</p>	

Community Grant applications 2019:
Minutes sent -
Attached documents -