BRADWAY ACTION GROUP COMMITTEE MEETING 05/01/16.

1. Present: Philip Righton, Frank Richardson, John Child, Peter Smithson, Les Day, Chris Morgan, Nancy Maitland, Ian Robinson, Anne Sharpe, Rob Wilks, Fiona Vallely.
2. Apologies: Mike Bloy,
3. Minutes of the previous meeting accepted.
4. Reports;

A. **Chairman**: the newsletters are well received and some people have looked at the Facebook page and will be asked to join BAG. The new 24/25 buses seem to be running fairly smoothly although some routes peripheral to Bradway are due to change.

B. **Treasurer**: It's quiet before the new membership year begins. At our meeting in November we had £5264.31 in the bank account. Since then we have had:

 Income  £207.00 Expenditure £196.00

 giving a final total of £5275.31.

C. **Membership secretary**: Since Christmas renewal forms have been delivered to most existing members. We now have 57 memberships comprising of 48 household (10 new) and 9 individual (4 new). Several new members were recruited at Bradway Primary School parents evenings.

D. **Community Hall**: The Hall is now used regularly, i.e. in more than half the weeks in the year, by 14 groups and periodically by a further four groups. We are grateful to an anonymous engineer who donated a couple of bolts after the notice board in the Hall grounds had been blown down in one of the December gales.

E. **Christmas events**: Of the 17 businesses around the top of Twentywell Lane (not including the betting shop, Sainsbury’s, the garage and the petrol station) 8 were open on the day – Select Convenience, Tilley’s, Love and Best Wishes, Retail Therapy, Bradway Meats, Makinsons, Hairy Hounds and S17 bistro. 15 out of 17 businesses donated prizes for the raffle. At Tilley’s Father Christmas attended with staff as elves- very popular with the children. Therese had provided reply letters from Father Christmas and sweetie bags. Love and Best Wishes had a Princess theme – Snow White, Elsa and Cinderella plus a Christmas Minion! Mulled wine and mince pies, face painting and a colouring competition with prizes were offered. Hairy Hounds had a doggy parade on a red carpet with prizes which was very popular. The event raised £90.00 which is being donated to the Hospices. (Makinsons complained people could not park to collect their Christmas trees.) Raffle – £168.00 for each of St Luke’s and Bluebell Wood Hospices. (8 of 17 shops offered to sell raffle tickets pre-event, but didn’t, the singers clashed with the dog event.) The Bradway Road parade of shops had no lights- will purchase whilst the sales are on. No reply from the landlord re wall mounting Xmas trees on the shop fronts. • The event raised the profile of the traders • The big banner was good advertising • The twinkling lights were much appreciated • Event fliers sent via school were a success. Consider giving some to the Annexe preschool, the Play Group and other organisations at the Community Hall next year. Agreed – subcommittee – Fiona, Nancy & Anne. A letter has been sent to all the traders outlining the above and including a ‘Thank you to all the traders who provided prizes – children’s sweets, Father Christmas letters, dog and human treats and trophies. It is a way of showing your appreciation of the support the public give you. And then there’s 2016 ……. The most suitable date would seem to be Sunday December 11th.**’**

**F: Neighbourhood Watch**: Any neighbourhood watch signs removed by Amey whilst fitting the new street furniture should be reported to Les Day.

1. The new Sheffield Plan contains a possible park and ride site on ‘the railway triangle’ BAG will monitor this and also suggest that the tram be run to Dore and Totley station along with a cycle track. BAG will also re-iterate the importance of the Green belt which the government is pressurising councils to build on.
2. Ian Robinson has taken on checking on planning permission in the area.
3. Some progress has been made towards getting the Old School Field village green status.
4. The website is being well used particularly for bus information.
5. BAG needs to involve Nick Clegg and submit to the DfT inquiry to request enlarged car parking at the station.
6. Builders are converting the Castle Inn to an ‘exclusive’ Gastro pub.
7. A picnic is proposed for June 12th on the Old School Field.
8. Next Meeting OMR 7.15 Tuesday 8th March