**Bradway Action Group Annual General Meeting 16/10/2023**

**Held at The Main Hall, Bradway Community Hall**

1. Apologies:

Committee - Nancy Maitland, Fiona Vallely, (Secretary) & Andrew Cullen, (Deputy Chair).

Members - Ann Fields, Sandy & Ailsa Williamson, Rene Smith, Rob & Christine Wilks.

Councillors - Martin Smith & Colin Ross.

Present:

Committee - John Sharpe (Chair), David Applebaum, (Treasurer), Anne Sharpe (Membership Sec and Minutes for the AGM), Ian Robinson, Les Day & Frank Richardson

Members - Marie & Andrew Tabor, Jackie Richardson, Joe Otten, (Councilor), Rebecca Atkinson, John & Gaynor Collier, Keith Oakes, Louise Rowley, Chris & Bob Parkinson, Ian Robinson, Wendy & Stuart Sawyer, Catherine & Philip Deeks, Kaye Carl, Alan Varney, Gwen & Peter Smithson, Chris Morgan, Glynn Burgin, Spencer Reynolds.

1. The Ethel Trust Community Barges.

A short talk and presentation was given by Frank Richardson, one of the volunteer Skippers. Donations raised £30.00 towards the Trust.

1. The Minutes of the previous AGM were discussed. There were no outstanding matters arising, other than those incorporated in future work plans.

1. Annual Accounts - a copy of the annual accounts and the auditor’s report were displayed for the meeting.

Accounts spreadsheet on page 3. Income included £805 from the Ward Pot Fund towards the cost of the new steel picnic table on the Village green, (costing £2,100.00). Ward Pot Fund was received in the financial year 01/08/22 - 31/07/23. The expenditure for the steel table was made in this financial year 01/08/23 - 31/07 24. The Village Green expenditure of £750.00 was for the Village Green sign.

The accounts for 01/08/22 - 31/07/23 were independently examined and verified by Penny Ross.

1. Message from the Chair:
2. In terms of what BAG has been doing, the Chair pointed members to the Autumn newsletter which contained details.

Future plans -

* Volker Storey has confirmed their commitment to rebuild the steps down to the Railway Triangle by the time the new station opens.
* We want to provide more equipment for older children on the Village Green. New Head Teacher and school keen for children to be involved in this project. Items such as these needs to be purchased through the Council as ongoing maintenance are built into the cost. Awaiting prices.
* Look at the provision of further robust seating. What locations? Some existing seating needs refurbishment - top of Bradway Drive and the corner of Twentywll Lane. Chair has a contact for this.
* Improving the ecology and habitat in Poynton Wood - Beech clearance and holly reduction is underway; creation of glades for woodland ground cover plants, reseeding (possibly involve BPS), and provision of bird boxes - involve Cubs and Scouts. Meeting scheduled with Woodland Officer in 2 weeks.
* Ensure SCC reinvests the proceeds from the sale of part of the Railway Triangle back into the local area as promised - e.g. seats and signage for Poynton Wood, funded ecology study of the wood.
* Undertake ecology study of the recreation ground. Plan for three distinct fields - flower meadow as now, ancient meadow in the top field, the main sports field with improved margins and address the poorly drained area. Meeting with Catherine McDougall imminent. A stone bench has been created by BEG, (Beauchief Environment Group), with contribution from BAG, on the viewpoint. This is commemorative to Tony Smith, a long standing member of BAG and BEG.
* Beauchief Drive to Twentywell Lane path - now developed into a gully. Waiting response from PROW
* Community Speedwatch - this is being organized by SW LAC.
* Closer 2-way engagement with Bradway Primary School
* Dummy CCTV for Village Green, (Postponed due to illness). Look at this in the Spring.
* New notice board for Bradway Drive / Prospect Road junction - trying to obtain promised money from TARA, (Tenants and Residents Assoc).

1. Outcome of Fun day - Another successful year, although extremely hot; hence the cancellation of the Dog Show. This may be undertaken at the School Xmas fair on 2nd December. Income from the stalls and traders = £883.88 plus £95.41 from new BAG membership and donations, totaling £979.29. Thank you to the Fun Day Committee for their efforts and to those who volunteered and gave their time on the day.

Date for 2024 - Saturday 7th September.

1. Newsletters - The Chair asked for feedback on the newsletter - positive response. Contributions for future editions were promised from Peter Smithson, (Bradway weather), Keith Oakes, and Stuart Sawyer, (Age well). Any other contributions are welcome.
2. Nomination of BAG Committee

The positions on the Committee were opened to the floor for volunteers.

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| **Role** | **Proposed by** | **Seconded by** |
| Chair - John Sharpe | Chris Morgan | Les Day |
| Deputy Chair - Andrew Cullen | Anne Sharpe | Frank Richardson |
| Treasurer - David Applebaum | John Collier | Jackie Richardson |
| Secretary - Fiona Vallely | Anne Sharpe | Ian Robinson |
| Membership Sec & Community Hall Rep. - Anne Sharpe | Ian Richardson | David Applebaum |
| Other members  Nancy Maitland  Les Day  Ian Robinson  Spencer Reynolds (2023 new member)  **Vacancy** | Anne Sharpe | Frank Richardson |
| Co-Opted  Frank Richardson - Scouts | John Sharpe | Chris Morgan |

Due to ill health, John Child is no longer able to be involved with the BAG Committee as the representative of Bradway Community Hall Trustees. We would like to thank John for all his hard work and valued contributions over the years he has been involved. Anne is a trustee at BCH and will liaise as necessary.

1. Keeping BAG members informed

* Newsletter - continue quarterly by email and delivery to non email households (9) as per other ad hoc communications to members as required.
* Facebook Group - provide extensive coverage with over 1500 members. This is overseen by administrators / moderators who vet input.

1. AOB

The Chair asked for preference on meeting location. It was generally considered the Community Hall provided better ambience. Due to committed usage, good notice needs to be given to book.

Defib training - interested persons signed up. Enquiries will be made and information circulated.

The Chair commented that the Mission Hall and Old School are now on the South Yorkshire Local Heritage List - see newsletter. Thanks were given to Ian Robinson and Andrew Tabor for their contribution to the application.

**BAG Annual Accounts - 01/08/2022 - 31/07 2023.**

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| **Balance at 31st July.** |  |  |
| **Description** | **2022/23** | **2021/22** |
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| **Opening balance** | **9,069.20** | **8,591.74** |
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| Subscriptions | 360.93 | 420.96 |
| Donations | 596.58 | 541.69 |
| Bugle delivery | 306.00 | 459.00 |
| Fun Day | 1,398.14 | 1,267.07 |
| Christmas | 155.80 | 180.00 |
| Ward Pot | 805.00 | 900.00 |
| School fair | 75.00 |  |
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| **Income** | **3,697.45** | **3,768.72** |
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| Public liability insurance | 157.00 | 157.00 |
| Open Space Society membership | 45.00 | 45.00 |
| Fun Day | 806.25 | 966.24 |
| Bugle delivery | - | 12.00 |
| Christmas | 150.30 | 194.13 |
| Village Green | 750.00 | 1,658.00 |
| Website license | - | 72.00 |
| Defibrillator | 1,493.94 | 50.34 |
| Planters | 274.90 | 37.65 |
| Bank charges | 81.95 | 48.90 |
| Donations in memory | - | 50.00 |
| Gifts | 220.50 |  |
| Charity donation at Christmas | 50.50 |  |
| School fair | 93.65 |  |
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| **Expenditure** | **4,123.99** | **3,291.26** |
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| **Surplus / (Deficit)** | **(426.54)** | **477.46** |
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| **Closing balance** | **8,642.66** | **9,069.20** |
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| **Bank plus cash** | 8,642.66 | **9,069.20** |
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| **Difference** | **-** |  |