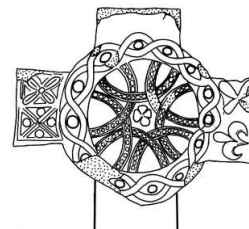


# **MACA**

## **MITTON AREA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**



### **Minutes of General Meeting** **Held at Mitton School on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2010**

#### **Present:**

Committee members: Chris Thomas (Chairman), Geoff Butcher (Secretary), Nigel Holberton (Treasurer), Neville Gyngell, Bob Rackstraw, Andy Beadle, Jean Wiseman, MW.

A register of other attendees may be inspected upon request.

#### **1. Apologies**

Apologies were received from: Fred & Pat Butcher, Erna and Lionel Perry, Anne Clarke, Carrie Sermon, Kim & Rob Gough, Bob Skelt, Derryl Green, Rose Hogan

#### **2. Chairman's introduction**

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited suggestions for AOB.

#### **3. Minutes of last meeting – matters arising**

Village Hall Survey – Mike Sztymiak is meeting Tewkesbury Borough Council officers on Friday to present the results of the MACA survey.

Burnt-out shop – this is now up for sale

Public toilets, Spring Gardens – a new planning application has been submitted

#### **4. Secretary's report**

No particular items for discussion.

#### **5. Treasurer's report**

£105 was raised from the last draw. £108 was banked in March, raising the bank balance from £2069.08 to £2177.08.

#### **6. Social Committee's Report – Jean Thomas**

The social committee has gained three new members: Chris Bristow, Kim Gough and Breda Gamble.

Planned events are: Thursday 13 May - craft evening; Sunday 4 July - afternoon tea in Mitton School, with a musical interlude; Autumn – murder mystery evening. The social committee have also been investigating the possibility of using facilities at Marina Court for some events.

#### **7. Talk about Tewkesbury Library**

Janet Thomson of Tewkesbury Library gave a brief history of library services in the area, and described all of the many facilities provided by Tewkesbury Library.

#### **8. 10 Minute Break**

(Tea, coffee and biscuits provided by Sarah Peters, Jean Thomas, Annette Merrick and Mary Butcher of the social committee)

#### **9. Condition of local roads and pavements**

The local councillors present (Mike Sztymiak, Elaine Hancox and Vernon Smith) reported that potholes were being repaired, with the most dangerous being dealt with first. The damaged surface in Carrant Road would be repaired in the next financial year: the concrete sub-surface made this road difficult to deal with.

The following points were noted:

Some pavements have been damaged by Tewkesbury Borough Council lorries; A dangerous

drain cover in Digby Drive; Blocked drains in Bredon Road; Hedges not reinstated in Digby Drive; daffodil bulbs need to be replaced in various places; Lorries getting stuck in Avon View due to lack of suitable signs. The new traffic lights at the junction of Mitton Way and Bredon Road are due to be switched on on 2<sup>nd</sup> April.

#### **10. Flood prevention**

Cllr. Vernon Smith reported on flood alleviation work that has been carried out so far, and showed photographs of some of the work. Some culverts were found to have been completely blocked for many years.

Dave Witts (Severn & Avon Combined Flood Group) reported on the valuable involvement of the S&ACFG in lobbying the various authorities in order to improve drainage and flood prevention.

#### **11. Officers of the Committee**

The secretary and chairman indicated that they wished to stand down as officers at the next AGM, although both wished to continue to work with the Association in other ways.

#### **12. Any Other Business**

PCSO Emma Burch was welcomed to the meeting. She gave an outline of the work of PCSOs and current policing issues in the area. She encouraged members of the public to speak to the PCSOs about any policing issues. She answered various questions at the end of her talk.

#### **2. Date and time of next meeting**

The next meeting will include the Annual General Meeting and will be held on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2010 at 7.30pm in Mitton School.