

LLWSA AGM held on Friday November 14 2014

Present: Pat Haddrell, Dave Hogan, Graham Stewart-Reed, Andrew Tregoning, Rob Reed and Ian Mitchell

Apologies: Sue Beer, Jill Turner

1. Minutes from the last meeting were unfortunately 'missing', and therefore there were no matters arising.
2. Treasurer's report was given by the Chair in Sue's absence. This year our successful grant from Bridge Trust (£250) will ensure the Broadband/Telephone cost will be covered (to be paid through Village Hall). We carried forward a balance of £1,180.55 and payments from sponsors, grant from Bridge Trust raised our funds to £1815.55. After our outgoings of £484.81 we have £1,330.74. This would seem to be a healthy sum to go forward with, however, we need to be mindful of the possibility that we will not receive further grants from Bridge Trust.
3. There followed a review of **Developments**: We now operate with **HTML 5** which allows for more facilities on the site.
 - **DIARY ENHANCEMENTS** – 'click and select' which gives a link to other pages.
 - **'HAVE YOUR SAY'**. There was some discussion whether this page should be retained. It is hardly used but it was felt that this could develop. Some initial concerns arose over unwanted access, but this has now been resolved. It was felt that as an interactive discussion page (the only one on the site) it should be retained.
 - **'NEWS'** can be incorporated in weekly update email.
4. New Domain alias **littleham.org** is now usable. There was concern about dropping Landcross from this address, however the fact that it is easier to use, and doesn't seem to lead to Littleham, Exmouth led us to agree it's adoption. We also agreed not to sell email addresses. (What we didn't consider was whether we still keep our acronym LLWSA)
5. **SHIPPING NEWS and AIS** – Dave talked about these items with a view to LLWSA facilitating equipment to receive and act as a 'station' for these. We would then be one of a network around the country (world?) As an important Sea based area it was agreed that this should go ahead. **Dave to explore the**

positioning of the small equipment (probably up at the Village Hall given it's high position) and approach the necessary people to gain permission. He will also explore the Sponsorship, which could be available, to cover the cost of equipment.

6. **PRIVACY and COOKIE POLICY.** This is available to be read by anyone using the site and Dave advised the committee to read them.
7. **PRESENTATION TO SPONSORS and PARISH COUNCIL.** There was a proposal to set up a presentation to highlight the site and promote it to users, in particular Sponsors and PC. However, it was felt that it could be useful to do this to a wider audience as was done before. The proposal is to approach the Village Hall committee to see if we could do this at the next Fete Day in July. We would need a corner of the Hall to do this, and could then 'capture' a wide range of visitors. It could also attract younger users if we could set up some 'fun' use. **Andrew to explore this** along the lines of 'Find the Elephant' used previously. **Pat to email Doug Hamilton** to set up the proposal.
8. **CONTRIBUTORS**– policy? There was concern expressed that some pages remain untouched and are not updated. It was agreed that there should be a contact name and number to go on as a link on their pages, and that they be urged to keep them up to date and delete older items. **This will need to be reviewed at the next meeting.**
9. **SPONSORSHIP.** We are doing quite well for Sponsors, some of whom are very generous in their contribution. However, we always need to be active in trying to extend our sponsorship, without compromising the 'exposure' issue. (something that has just occurred to me is the possibility of featuring our sponsors in some way on our pages)
10. **PUBLICITY and COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT.** In some part this will be covered by our Presentation at the Fete. (if this goes ahead) We also agreed to approach the Parish Council to see if we could have a poster placed in each of the Notice Boards (3) **Graham Stewart-Reed agreed to do produce the poster. Pat to seek permission from PC.**

AOB – There were a number of items discussed under AOB.

- **BROADBAND SPEED:** Ian Mitchell had done a survey around the village of broadband speeds, and this showed up very different results, some of which might be due to the location or equipment/provider. It emerged that even houses next door to one another could show very different speeds. Now we are among the privileged few villages around the country, it would

be good to be using this facility to the maximum. It was suggested that we could post some advice to users through the Website and Crosslet, and perhaps it could also be a part of our presentation. This is probably the most exciting development to have happened over the last few years, and that is largely down to those people in the village who have been working on our behalf to bring Littleham up to speed! Letters have been sent to all sorts including our MP. **So, a big thankyou to Ian Mitchell, Dave Hogan, Mike Smith et al.**

- **'TICKER TAPE'** speed issue. **Dave to look into this** and try to slow it down a little.
- **ARTIST'S PAGES** – There is currently no access to these pages. Dave explained how this could be done and promised to send those it concerned the necessary information to do this.

No date was arranged for the next meeting but it was agreed to meet in the New Year to review matters. **Pat to arrange this in due course.**