

Minutes of Uppingham Town Partnership Meeting
May 31st 2012, Uppingham Town Hall

Present:

Lucy Stephenson (Chair)	Rutland County Council	LS
Marc Oxley (Vice-Chair)	Business	MO
Phil Wignell (Treasurer)	Community	PW
Susie Burrows (Secretary)	Community	SB
Peter Rees	Uppingham Town Council	PR
James Lammie	Rutland County Council	JL
Alan Pickergill	Business	AP

Apologies:

Dave Casewell	Uppingham Town Council	DC
Terry King	Rutland County Council	TK

1. Welcome & apologies
2. Declaration of interest: None
3. Minutes of April meeting: Accepted (except that it was DC not PW who booked the Stompers for the Olympic Torch)
4. Finance Report: This was covered in detail in the earlier AGM. Our bank account currently has a balance of £1,157 and we are still awaiting the transfer of our funds from RCC – **LS** to pursue
5. Diamond Jubilee & Olympic Torch: £1,000 has been distributed for Jubilee celebrations in the town from our LSP fund. £500 was allocated for the Brocante, but only £118 was spent.

£180 has been paid to hire the Welland Valley Stompers for the Olympic Torch event, and it was agreed in principle that the request from the Town Council for money for balloons would be met subject to cost. **LS** to check with Susan about payments arrangements for Stompers & balloons.

6. Brocante Market report: This was a very successful event, and will be built on and extended next year. Marc reported that there are no clashing antique fairs for the bank holiday w/end, and it was agreed that he would start making contacts to advertise the next one to be held on Sunday May 5th 2013. **MO**
7. Feast Day: Phil reported that there is a full programme of events booked including bands, open mic, street entertainer, mask competition, cake decorating demonstrations, static owls & falcons, dance demonstrations, punch and judy, stalls, food, etc. Advertising is going out, banners are about to go up.

Lucy will co-ordinate the distribution of leaflets, and will email people to let them know what to deliver & where (Drusilla also willing to deliver). Help will be needed from all committee members, & for marshalling/setting up **LS**

8. Way forward/LSP: We need to establish a formalised route for the times when we ask for funding from the LSP account.

It was agreed that we will discuss the development of the website at the next meeting.

9. A) Fun pod & youth drop in: The equipment has been signed off & stored in the Scout Hut. Alan will see if he can fit the remaining items into his van & bring it over, and Lucy will circulate an inventory around (including to local parish councils) in order that organisations can borrow the equipment free of charge. We can also access the other 50% of the equipment, that Luffenham has. People must sign for it, & be responsible for transportation. **LS/AP**

The youth drop in begins in September, and there is a public meeting about this on June 20th if anyone is able to attend (3.15 in the Scout Hut)

B) Portas Pilot: Although the bid was unsuccessful, we will be in the second round now that more funds are being made available. Marc reported that the bid will be re-vamped (including the video) & it has to be in by 30.6.12. It has been very valuable that this bid has linked us with Oakham Town Partnership. If the second bid fails, it is hoped that some elements of it will be implemented anyway. **MO** will continue to attend meetings, with **LS** also going to some.

Lucy will issue an invitation to Oakham Town Partnership to join us at The Crown for drinks/nibbles on either Thursday July 19th or Thursday July 26th – whichever suits them best. It was agreed an informal meeting would be most useful at this point. **LS**

10. HSBC: Although the bank is closing on July 13th, the ATM will remain in its present location for the moment. Hopefully, it will be possible to relocate it elsewhere in the town.
11. AOB: Lucy asked Susie to do a press release in Dave's absence **SB**

Next meeting: **June 27th 2012, 7.30pm, Town Hall** (and on the last Wednesday of each month except December)