**Minutes of a Meeting held on Wednesday 8th October 7th on the Triangle.**

**Apologies,** Richard & Graham Adams, Judith Anderson, Vikki Willets and Elise Forbes

**Present** – Derek Scarborough (DS), Karen Scarborough (KS), Lorelei Symes (LS),Rob Willetts (RW), M Mordecai (MM), Jenny Marrison, Rita, Dodsworth (LD), Rob Coltman (RC).Jill Douglas, Derek & Heather , Sue Key.

**Finances**

DS reported that we are in a healthy situation with funds exceeding £3000 (not exact as Treasurer not present), collections from the box on the Triangle are averaging £5 each week.

**Defibrillator**

The Defib was reported as needing maintenance, however is now operational. SWAST have offered the following dates for training courses :

Evenings – 18:00 start – Tuesday 23rd November or Thursday 25th November .

DS has asked if these dates are available at the Exmouth and also asked the size of the upstairs room so that numbers can be ascertained.

Daytime – 9am start 8/11 or 9/11

Action : DS to advise of developments.

**Planning Applications**

RC reported that work on 252 Bath Road (The Market) was stalled temporarily due to more asbestos being found.

**Triangle**

KS has purchased new shears for the Triangle, DS to submit receipt.

**Santa Run**

Following discussion it was agreed that the Santa Run and Carol Service would be held this year. The Santa Run in early December in order to allow funds to be provided to Salvation Army at the earliest time for Christmas.

Action: DS arrange dates and licenses.

**Autumn Newsletter**

Following discussion it was agreed that the following items will be included in the Autumn newsletter:

Advent Windows

Santa Run

Defib Training Course

Carol Service

History Weekend on the Triangle

Bath Road Initiative

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**Christmas Cards**

Following discussion, JD volunteered to organise NARA Christmas Cards.

It was suggested the date for the Christmas concert could be included in the card.

**Bath Road Initiative with Paul Baker (PB).**

DS reported that at his meeting with Adrian Phillips of SPJaRA had and County Councillor Paul Baker the following improvements to the Bath Road were discussed.

* two new planters opposite the Coop to match those near the Norwood roundabout
* decoration of one utility box in Grafton Road
* removal of one or two items of unwanted or obsolete street furniture
* draining of puddle sites (outside the Exmouth Arms and at two places on the east side of Bath Road)
* re-painting of lamp posts
* some tree planting in the car park
* Refurbishment of the Toilet Block in The Bath Road Car Park

Further down the road (metaphorically)  there were other possibilities:

 20 MPH limit

Sections of wider pavements enabling tree planting and seating

Bath Road fair in College grounds

Comprehensive improvements in pavement surfaces

KS commented that planters and a bit of painting were inconsequential and a more holistic approach was needed.

HC said the puddle sites had been there for 20 years and offered a £5 donation if the action came to fruition.

Action : DS to advise of developments.

MM volunteered to attend a meeting with councillors and Dave Field to discuss siting of poo bins in the Bath Road.

**Civic Society**

DS to advise of any possible donations from this source.

**History on the Triangle**

DS has submitted application for £480 to GCC’s Build Back Better Scheme via Paul Baker for portable notice boards to be used on the Triangle: initially for the History Weekend.

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**Agenda for Meeting on Monday 22nd November 7.00pm at Brown Jug**

1. **Apologies**
2. **Finances**
3. **Defibrillator**
4. **Planning Applications**
5. **Triangle**
6. **Autumn Newsletter**
7. **Advent Windows**
8. **Santa Trail**
9. **Carol Service**
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12. **Bath Road Initiative**

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