

The Preston Trust Minutes

12th November 2015

- Apologies (none)
- Review recent activity/actions
 - New tree planted opposite green – thanks to Christina, Liz, Mike for watering. Will need to remain tethered until March 2018.
 - Photographic competition – notices and website to publicise incl email to PHC. Brian has spoken to the pub about displaying winning entries and there will be room for only three which means the winner in each age category.
 - WW1 Commemoration plaque – about to commission, money required approx. March
 - Primary school windows - no letter to householders planned, Brian to provide update next meeting.
 - Welcome/walk leaflet printing – still to be done (Christina)
- Finance & membership update – 30 members incl. 4 standing orders. £400-£600 available for projects in 2016.
- Plans for Christmas tree event 6th Dec discussed including delivery on 3rd Dec and decoration on 5th.
- Book exchange scheme discussed. PT not to run the scheme, but to offer to help with initial setup and make some suggestions. Richard to respond to Margaret Trinder.
- Ley Green store - approach made to PT for how to raise profile. Subsequent to this an email to all cricket club contacts and notices have been made, so it was felt nothing more PT can do to help other than personally shop there!
- Village Day 2016 date – PSA have chosen 9th July for their campover. This would leave 16th July for the village day which is too late, and the week before Andy is not available which is a problem since Andy's the key organiser. Richard to ask PSA if they can change campover date to 16th July (which was originally one of their options anyway).
- Links with the schools – Richard had emailed the new head at PHC, but no response except from Liz Madden when chased. Liz confirmed that PHC are aware of the photographic competition and my email.
- Village contact database – discussion again on the merits of a village contact database which would have many benefits including for neighbourhood watch, parish council (e.g. road closure or notice of planning), marketing of events etc. John to contact Matt Burleigh regarding previous research done on data protection, legal responsibility etc.
- Safari Supper – Christina contacted some people regarding help running this, but no one volunteered yet. One more person try after which the idea will be dropped if no extra help with experience of running this found.
- Phone box – Tim to dig up previous research/correspondence on this with Parish Council and pass to Richard for further discussion in January.
- Next meeting 21st January at Christina's

The Preston Trust main objectives:

- To enhance and preserve Preston for the benefit of all the villagers and visitors.
- To secure the preservation and protection of features of historic or public interest, including the village's history.
- To promote high standards of planning and architecture.
- To support financially and promote any purpose for the benefit of villagers and in particular, its children and senior citizens.