



**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON
5 JULY 2011**

Present: Ralph Maloney (Chair)
Jane Maloney
Richard Malachowski
Dave Blackett
Mary Edwards
Nanda De Rosa
Kim Burberry
Will Ruddell
Brian Williamson
Jacqui Hedington
Marcia Bird
Jim Wildman
Kelly Huntingdon
Eileen Le Voi
Paul Martin

Apologies: Alison Hares
Carol Wyles
Krystyna and Paul
Jane Brown
Neville Diss
Martin Owen
Martin Bell
Gareth and Susan James
Adam and Clare Merton
Billy Connolly
Justine Eldred
Louise Sullivan
Trevor Nicholson
Darius McDonald
Steve Pratt
Bob Finnegan

1. **Apologies:**

Apologies noted as above.

2. **Introductions:**

Introductions were made for the purpose of all members present.

3. **New members' details:**

No new members' details were available at today's meeting.

4. **Treasurer's Report:**

Marcia Bird gave an update regarding the SSBP bank account of approximately £1,300.

5. **Directory costs and distribution:**

The directory will be A5 size with four adverts per page in full colour gloss. The back page will be offered out to sponsorship at £150. 4,000 directories will be printed and distributed at an approximate total cost of £650. Distribution will be end of October/early November within the Sawtry Eye and Yaxley Gazette.

Ralph Maloney to look into the cost for an extra 1,000 copies to be printed. **Action: RM**

6. **Advertising leaflet costs and distribution:**

Ralph Maloney to look into costs involved in printing and distribution of A4 advertising leaflets for the end of this year/early next year.

7. **Carnival report and overview:**

Many thanks to all members involved with the organisation and running of the carnival. Approximately £200 was collected in donations on the day: £100 each given to First Responders and £100 to CARESCO.

8. **Membership secretary vacancy:**

Updated news: Zoe Ruddell is now the SSBP Membership Secretary.

9. **Quiz night 16 September - Entertainment and ticket costs:**

Many thanks to Jacqui Hedington who has now confirmed bookings for the entertainment and a quiz master for the SSBP quiz night.

Zoe Ruddell has been asked to provide a buffet.

Ticket costs to be confirmed at a later date but will be approximately £10 each. It was suggested to have posters advertising the event put up around the village.

10. **Greyhound evening 1 October - Payment of tickets**

Members are now required to pay for the tickets they reserved for the Greyhound evening. Tickets are £15 each and payment is to be made to Ralph Maloney as soon as possible please.

As previously noted the SSBP sponsored race will be named the FSID Stakes. The trophy will be presented to the race winner by Will and Zoe Ruddell.

11. **Guest speaker suggestions and topics for discussion**

Any suggestions for future guest speakers and topics please contact Ralph Maloney.

12. **General news and updates:**

Talk Talk are offering the opportunity to have free advertising boards for SSBP to use for our own advertising purposes within the village. The boards can be requested with or without legs. Location of the boards needs to be decided and permission may need to be sought.

Ralph Maloney and Richard Malachowski to look into getting one board and is happy to receive suggestions regarding appropriate locations. **Action: RM/RM**

A website update was given by Dave Blackett. All members with any news or updates for the SSBP website please contact Dave.

The SSBP cards are to be redesigned with the new logo. Ralph Maloney will print about 1,000 cards for distribution.

All members were reminded to ensure the old logo has been replaced with the new one on websites. **Action: All**

13. **Any other business:**

Following their very successful Comedy Night, First Responders are holding another Comedy Night on 24 September 2011. Tickets are £10 each. Please contact either Kelly Huntingdon or Ralph Maloney for further details.

Discussion took place around a new magazine for the village and surrounding areas. The magazine is likely to be A4, full colour and similar in content to Sawtry Lifestyle magazine. Ralph Maloney to discuss this issue further with Liz Coates and Justine Eldred, Yaxley Gazette. **Action: RM**

Sawtry Chorale is celebrating its 25th birthday with a concert on the evening of 10 September 2011. Please contact Brian Williamson for further details.

Sawtry Club are holding a British Legions Day to celebrate their 90th birthday on 10 September. Admission is free and the celebrations get underway from lunchtime onwards with a swing band providing the evening entertainment.

Thanks given by Jacqui Hedington to everyone who sponsored a race for the Sawtry Infants School Race Night.

Will and Zoe Ruddell are off to Florida on Friday 8 July as the Starlight Foundation has granted their son, Connor, his wish to swim with dolphins. Future fundraising activities in aid of the Starlight Foundation will be announced in due course by Will.

Next meeting: Tuesday 2 August 2011 7.30pm start