**Salisbury Rotary & Business in the Community Group**

 **Minutes/*Actions***

**(Thursday 11th January 2018)**

**Attendees**:

Steve Corless, David Clayton (minutes), Alan Corkill, Beth Robertson, Ian Hunter, Robin McGowan, Robin McGowan

**Also, copied to:**

Jenny Mears, Karen Bosley, Ann Smith, Jan Paterson, Keith Hanson, James Foreman, Sharon Fletcher, James Read, Alastair Barrett, Simon Ellingham, Sue Borrett, Eliot Jones, Steve Long, Andy Rhind-Tutt, Karen Linaker, Andy Williams, Keith Millman, Dan Collins, Steph Shearing, Lee Perkes, Kara Rogers, Andy Williams, Jo Wilson, Alex Oram

**1. Review of the last meeting, notes & Matters arising**

All matters to be covered under headings below

**2. Events Review**

**Young Chef** – took place, only two entrants in the end as some dropped out.

AP: Steve to speak to RIBI to clarify why we require 3 courses in 2 hours when the curriculum says either 2 courses in 2 hours (or 3 in 3).

AP: Steve to review timing if need be, but end of term seems to work fine for the schools currently.

**Business Carol Service** – not well attended, some promotion but not enough perhaps.

**3. Forthcoming Events**

**Gala Quiz Friday (9th March – Beth)**

6 tables paid for. 6 rounds sponsored (10 max). Raffle and auction prizes in hand.

AP: David C to send template to Steve to forward on to Friends of Rotary

AP: Alan to forward invite to Wilton Rotary (Salisbury Rotary already done)

AP: Beth to remind RDA and WAA re tables

AP: Beth to ask Chris Wright to do a music round

AP: Quiz group to ensure that next Community Group activities are notes on the programme and mentioned by Chris Wright (or a Community Group rep!)

**Easter Egg Hunt (March 2018 – Alan)**

David has offered his shop next to Tesco to get involved. Suggestions on having a number (or perhaps a number on eggs, or perhaps a letter) on each window poster which needs to be put together to give a final total/or an Easter Phrase at the end.

AP: David to send Alan personal email addresses for Kara and Steph (done).

AP: Alan to fix up meeting.

**Swimathon (7th April - Alan)**

Alan has met with Karen Linaker who is seeing if she can generate some interest from the Leisure Centres. Journal still involved. Alan has joined Salisbury Chamber and hopes to be able to mail out to their database. David commented that to get commitment would require work on Social Media.

AP: Kara & Dan, would you be happy to push this on SM for us as much as possible.

Salisbury Big Bake Sale

AP: Group to enter a team (David has volunteered to captain!)

**Karting (16th May – Robin/Kara)**

Mercedes have confirmed £300 sponsorship. Early bird to be extended. 12 teams = break even. Needs pushing now we are in the New Year.

AP: Kara to invoice Mercedes

**Victorian Evening (pot Sat 15th Dec - Beth)**

Choir sorted, just need to get the numbers down. Max 120. Venue: Riverbourne Community Farm.

AP: Beth to check re reduced choir numbers and also revised date

**3. Potential New Events**

**Salisbury Floats (end May 2019 - David)**

Group has met once. Since then David has met with a few people and needs to get the group together again. Concept going forwards as follows:

* Get ‘core’ of event sorted and then work out from there
* Two core events, potentially same day
	+ Fun, ‘float down the river’ event from Stink Pot Bridge in Stratford SC to Ashley Green. Link in with Fire Brigade/Serve On and do something on the Green to link in. Choice of inflatable.
	+ Fun, competitive ‘dash down the river’ from Sea Cadet Hut down c 100m.Given equipment (say an inner tube, paddle and perhaps a hat) and we run a series of heats for each category. We can do something in Churchill Gardens and also use the car park on Southampton Road (and potentially the College). Spectating is fine as the walkway runs alongside the river. Sea Cadets would support, perhaps put a fundraiser of their own on in the Hut, and they would also provide rescue facility from H&S point of view.
* If other events (such as new International Arts Festival or pre-cursor to 2020 ‘Walk the Plank’ celebrations can be linked in, then great. However, the important thing is to keep costs down and raise some money for the charities who would be involved in helping put it together.

**Track Days (Ian)**

Unlikely to happen, but that might change

**Scalextric Race Evening (Lee)**

No update.

**Salisbury Rugby Bubble Ball**

Perhaps potential to link into Salisbury Floats events at Ashley Green and Churchill Gardens…?

**4. Just 2 Hours (Steve/David)**

We have been asked to hold off by Chamber because of their Schools Competition but there is NO overlap. Work on this needs to be picked up again.

AP: Steve responsible for schools and finding out what they might want from local employers that they currently don’t get. Sarum Academy is a good starting point.

AP: David to put together a draft presentation to take to local businesses to gain feedback and buy in to the group, whether that is getting a work colleague involved with the group or the business/an individual getting involved with a school.

**5. Website & Marketing (Kara/Dan – when present)**

AP: Steph to approach Salisbury Life to do a feature on the group.

AP: Alan (??) to approach Salisbury TV re the group or to cover an event

AP: Website – Kara and Dan to review the Rotary website in relation to the community group and make recommendations for changes (e.g. positioning of info on the group, whether our Community Meetings should be included in the Events diary, etc). Group to review next month.

**6. General Events Update (Chamber, Rotary, BID)**

**BID**

* Xmas Market – 2018 will include Cathedral Close and High Street for first time.
* Steph has left BID. Hot off press is that Kara will be joining BID.

**Chamber**

* Unknown – no rep present.

**Rotary**

* Youth Speaks – 11th January. Cubs Chess – 17th March.

**11.** **AOB**

* Breakfast – now self-serevice. Cost to us has gone up but £10 still covers it.
* Kara and Steph have now changed emails.
* Serious concerns raised regarding the lack of a Chamber representative now that Lee has left the Chamber. It is apparently on the agenda for the next Chamber Board meeting. David has written to Andy RT.
* AP: Ian to pick up with Dan re FSB and whether we should chase support from FSB at regional level. Alternatively do we drop FSB from our literature??

**Date of next meeting**

**Thursday 8th February 2018**