

Notes from CCRG Meeting held on Thursday 18th November via Zoom

1.	Persons Present – Andrew MacPherson (AMP) (Chair) Debbie McDonnell (DeM) (Secretary) David McDonnell (DaM) Tim Thomas Rod Stanley-Bell (RSB)	Action
2.	Apologies - none	
3.	Notes of previous meeting - were agreed with one alteration DeM was not present	
4.	Matters arising/Action updates – notes from previous meetings are now being published on the website as downloads. DaM has begun to update the list of CCRG activities since April 2021.	
5.	Member update – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Day Foundation – • Gardemau Trust – has offered £500 grants to all benefice churches for display boards to be used to promote outreach and church life. They can be borrowed by other community groups • Coddenham Community Shop – Christmas stock has arrived, decorations are up, On going campaign for volunteers, Customer shopping event and shareholders social event were cancelled due to Covid concerns, the Shop has been shortlisted for a Plunkett Foundation Rural Business Award, despite the pandemic, the Shop has made a small profit at the end of its second trading year which has exceeded original expectations of a small loss • The Coddenham Centre – the ASHPs will be commissioned today, • there is a problem with the electric car charging points – being resolved, • the first indoor event takes place on Saturday (Quiz), • hedge and tree planting to take place on 27/11/21, including planting an oak tree donated by Lord de Saumarez to commemorate the centenary of the gift of the Recreation Ground to the people of Coddenham • St Mary’s – a second environmental talk has been arranged for January, specifically for the benefice churches • Baby and Toddler Group is beginning to get more families attending from a wide area • Christmas events planned (see 6) 	
6	Village Events – Christmas Quiz at The Coddenham Centre – 20/11/21 Co Op Band Concert at St Mary’s - 5/12/21 3pm Christmas Coffee Morning at St Mary’s – 18/12/21 10-12 noon Candlelit Carol Service at St Mary’s – 19/12/21 at 4pm Village Carol Singing – 21/12/21 Crib Service and Carols in the Churchyard – 24/12/21 at 4pm Haysel House residents will receive Christmas hampers and CCS vouchers New Year Brunch – 2 nd January 2022 at The Coddenham Centre	
7	Environmental update/initiatives – see above 44 responses had been received for the energy survey – 17% of the population. Agreed to post a reminder on the website and email cascade for residents to complete. There will be a follow up in a year to see the impact. The Shop’s nomination also reflects its environmental credentials – re-localisation of suppliers and shopping locally. Shop to consider carbon charter application in spring.	AMP DAM/RSB
8	Website Report – 802 users in the last month, 1109 since the last meeting Page views Sept – 1491, Oct - 1782, Nov – 1231 Biggest hits - 1. Mower theft, 2. Shop, 3. News pages 4. Broom Hill 5. St Mary’s	
9	Covid 19 -all agreed that there is still a need to proceed with caution, remain vigilant and ensure Covid security at any events held. Groups are risk assessing events.	

10	Christmas activities - see 6	
11	<p>Grants and funding – it was agreed that further funding would be required as the website costs were £60 per month. Agreed to try to find grants. AMP felt that if there were greater editorial activity costs per user could be kept down. Additional advertisers would help with income (see 12)</p> <p>DEM asked for reimbursement for ink and paper used for printing the Welcome Packs. All agreed this should be forthcoming.</p> <p>TT shared the accounts.</p>	All
12	<p>Classified Advertising – AMP felt that 3/4 more advertisers would be beneficial to income – could the shop suppliers be approached?</p> <p>It was agreed to look at giving the advertisements greater prominence on the site</p> <p>Local businesses to approach – Bickers, Coopers Country, Retreat East -£18 per quarter with one month free</p>	RSB AMP
13	<p>Broom Hill – the offer of voluntary help made by Plunkett/Hopkins Homes via the Shop had, like a previous offer of voluntary help, unfortunately been rejected by the PC. It was agreed that this was very disappointing as BH had been purchased by villagers and therefore, villagers had a right to suggest ways to keep the site in good condition, e.g the visit by Suffolk Wildlife Trust and the subsequent offer from Hopkins.</p> <p>RSB will attend the PC meeting and ask for an explanation. It was agreed this should be reported back to the village.</p>	
14	<p>AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The SWOT analysis had been shared with all member groups and accepted with a few adjustments as a reference point for future discussions about developments within the village. The importance of collaboration had been recognised and it was hoped that the PC would cooperate in exploring ways to get wider input from the village. • Please send updates for the list of achievements to David by 3/12/21 • DAM will be the chair for the next quarter and DEM will be secretary. Thanks to APM and RSB for their work during the last quarter. • Date of next meeting – Thursday 20th January 2022 at 10.00am. Meetings should be scheduled for an hour 	