

Notes from CCRG Meeting held on Thursday 27th January 2022

1.	Persons Present – Andrew MacPherson (AM) (Chair) Debbie McDonnell (DeM) (Secretary) David McDonnell (DaM) (Chair) Tim Thomas	Action
2.	Apologies – Rod Stanley Bell	
3.	Notes of previous meeting (18/11/21) - were agreed	
4.	Matters arising/Action updates – to be covered as agenda items.	
5.	Activity Table – DaM has updated and will prepare an article with highlights for the March 10VN to reflect the second anniversary of the CCRG.	
6	COVID – despite the relaxation of restrictions, it was felt that Covid is still impacting the village and that there are still residents who are very anxious. All groups agreed that their organisations would continue to take Covid mitigation measures – face masks would be encouraged and sanitiser provided. It was agreed that the website would reflect this message of caution.	AM
7	Broomhill – the newly installed signs on Broom Hill and Mill Hill have generated lots of public interest. A new action plan for the maintenance of Broom Hill is awaited from the PC.	
8	Traffic Matters – following representations from the shop committee and others, the CCRG members were pleased to note that the PC does not wish to pursue Suffolk CC's favoured option of double yellow lines on both sides of the road at Crown Corner. The Community Shop committee is grateful for the huge support of villagers on this issue.	
9	Relations with CPC – the CCRG members are looking forward to working collaboratively with the PC on plans for the Jubilee celebrations and are grateful to the Day Foundation for facilitating the planning meeting on 9/2/2022.	
10	Organisation Updates – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shop – the shop was well supported over Christmas, with record breaking takings the week before Christmas. • St Mary's – although the Christmas Coffee morning was cancelled due to Covid concerns, the Carol service and the outdoor Crib Service went ahead with 70 attending on Christmas Eve in the churchyard. The sponsored Christmas trees with an environmental theme decorated the churchyard. • Coddendam Centre – although some events were cancelled due to Covid concerns, the centre remains Covid free and hosted a successful family party on Christmas Day with toys lent by the Toddler Group. • In lieu of a party, all residents at Mary Day Close were given a food hamper and vouchers (provided by the shop). MDC is beginning to open up with 2 residents afternoon teas per week. The Soup Lunch will remain at Gosbeck Village Hall for the time being. 	
11	SWOT and update from CCRG/DF meeting 25/1/22 -the issues identified on the SWOT have been agreed by the CCRG organisations. It is hoped that the PC will get involved and organise a parish survey – it was felt that it is very important to get the views of the villagers on current issues affecting Coddendam.	
12	Website report – 868 visits last month (December) with 1650 pages viewed. Top hits – shop home page, shop opening hours, car chargers, History Club, Christmas at the shop, events, news pages. So far this month top hits – shop, Jubilee Fete, news, History Club, Coddendam Centre, St Mary's home page, Christmas tree recycling, PC website link, Garden bird watch. Paul Taylor has agreed to reduce his costs by £150 to £700 p.a. AM has prepared a localities funding grant application as we meet the criteria – 'connecting communities' environmentally sustainable communities', 'promoting resilient communities'.	WHO?

	It was agreed that local businesses should be approached to sponsor the website rather than advertise with their support acknowledged on the site. The Beauty Spot, Sorrel Horse, Highwayman, Crowfield Rose & Retreat East might be approached.	
13	<p>Environmental – Coddendam Centre – ASHP now operational, Solar Panel survey completed – this would offset the cost of running the ASHP. A 40% discount is available through Suffolk Together. Car charger points are now operational with half price coffee at the shop on proof of use. The Refill van is now at the CC every 3rd Sunday.</p> <p>St Mary's – Christmas trees were decorated using environmentally friendly decorations. A talk will be given to the benefice churches by Rev Richard Stainer on how churches can become more environmentally friendly (Earl Stonham 30/1/22)</p> <p>Community Shop – will consider applying for the Carbon Charter. The shop was runner-up in a national Plunkett Foundation award for 'relocalisation'. The shop had also promoted the RSPB 'Great Garden Birdwatch', with additional stocks of bird food.</p>	
14	Welcome Pack -2 have been distributed with positive feedback. It was agreed that a different version should be offered to the holiday rental properties and a copy placed in the shop.	DeM
15	<p>Platinum Jubilee – the plans will be discussed at meeting on 9/2/22.</p> <p>DeM suggested a village calendar with a photo competition – 'A Year in Coddendam' to be launched at the same time as the Jubilee events. Judged by Georgie?</p>	
16	AOB - none	
17	Date and Time of Next Meeting – 15/2/22 at 10am	