## Notes from CCRG Meeting held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022, 5pm at Retreat East

| 1.       | Present/Introductions – Andrew MacPherson (AM) Coddenham Centre (Chair), Rod Stanley-Bell (RSB) Community Shop (Sec), Debbie McDonnell (DeM) St Marys/PCC, David  | Action |
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|          | McDonnell (DaM) Gardemau, Nick Mills (NM) Parish Council, Theresa Harden (TH) Country Club, Helen Norris (HN) St. Marys, Ray Collins (RC) History Club, Craig Jameson-  |        |
|          | Retreat East (Joins at 6pm)   |        |
| 2.       | Apologies – Tim Thomas  |        |
| 3.       | Organisation Updates: <u>Coddenham Parish Council:</u> Next meeting planned for Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> . Lots of conversations underway about the legal title to various pieces of land in the parish. The PC is resurrecting the trust for Broomhill, previously set up to ensure no future PC could sell it on. The results from the parish survey are also high on the agenda as is how to communicate better with those who live outside the village. |        |
|          | History Club: Upcoming sessions include Pip Wright on local charities in Suffolk and Tom Boles on his experience as an astronomer. Next year (2023) the club will be going back to a full agenda with talks planned every month from February onwards.  |        |
|          | <u>Community Shop;</u> Volunteer numbers and general staffing remain a major issue. The shop celebrates its 3 <sup>rd</sup> birthday on 19 <sup>th</sup> September. Lady Clare, Lord Lieutenant will be visiting the shop on October 1 <sup>st</sup> for tea and to meet the volunteers.  |        |
|          | <u>Country Club:</u> The top priority currently is to resolve the outstanding governance issues. The "Thank You Day" held on August BH Monday was well attended and successful. Volunteer staffing remains an issue. Coddenham Football team are now sponsored by The Sorrel Horse at Barham.   |        |
|          | <u>Day Foundation:</u> Facilities are still all shut to all but residents. Continuing to look at ways to support the community etc.   |        |
|          | Gardemau Trusts: Lot of time being spent on confirming details and confirming the borders on parcel of land behind the village lockup. The trusts are seeing an increase in requests for financial assistance, anticipating that this will increase.  |        |
|          | St. Marys: Church is looking at a suitable response to the cost of living crisis. Coffee mornings are up and running again. Toddlers are back. Harvest Festival on 2 <sup>nd</sup> October at 11am.   |        |
|          | <u>Coddenham Centre:</u> Actively looking at opportunities to adopt solar power at the centre. Building work has started on the conference room development.  |        |
| 4.       | Notes of previous meeting -Agreed   |        |
| 5.       | Matters arising/Action updates  Jubilee Summary. A wonderful event where more than half of the village attended. Well done to all involved.   |        |
| 6        | <b>Appointment of next Chair</b> – Rod Stanley-Bell to chair for next 3 months (to November 2022) followed by Nick Mills for following 3 months (to Feb 2023). David McDonnell to chair for full 6 months.  |        |
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| 7 | Results of Coddenham Parish Survey. Nick gave a comprehensive summary and details of the high response rate (approaching 50%) the positive results and insights as well as the planned next action and steps required on the survey. Village meeting in the Coddenham Centre to share results with parishioners planned for Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> September.  |  |
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| 8 | Retreat East - Introduction and Update – Craig Jameson, General Manager.  Craig joined the meeting and gave a very detailed picture of the Retreat East business and the plans they have for expansion and development. Particular emphasis from Craig on how they could work with and support the local community. Members emphasised (particularly the Community Shop) how much they appreciated the support and business generated in the village by Retreat East guests. Further discussions surrounded the opportunities for Retreat East advertising in the 10VN, offering local customer discount/loyalty schemes and supporting local events. A very welcome and useful session. |  |
|   | Date & time of next meeting. Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> November, 5pm, Coddenham Centre.   |  |