

## **MEETING OF DIAMOND JUBILEE GROUP.**

**Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April at 7.30 p.m.**

The sixth meeting was held at The Barn, Ottery Street.

### In attendance were:

David Ottley, Ro Smith, Richard Gladstone, Jill Gladstone, Jeannette Pyne, Suzanne Smith, Terry Tibbott, Sue Tibbott, Vanessa Herman, Brian Le Masurier, Marion Cowlin, David Pankhurst, Barbara Ottley, Linda Grant, Pam Chidley, Jane Bennett and Jane Smith.

### Apologies were received from:

Jean Scriven, Gill Barlow, Jem Brooker, Catherine Fee, Anne Radcliffe, Judith Constable and Judy Major.

### Main Events during the Jubilee Weekend:

It was confirmed that the Barn Dance will be held at Home Farm Bicton on **Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June from 7.00p.m. until 11.00 p.m.**

There will be a **Church Service at St Michael's, Otterton** to Celebrate the Queen's Jubilee at **10.00 a.m. on Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June.** and the Picnic Lunch on the Green will be held on **Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June from 12.30 p.m.**

Ro Smith introduced the topic of finance. He was concerned to know what would happen to the monies not spent on the various facets of the Jubilee Celebrations. David Ottley responded by saying that as this group had no means of handling the monies either being generated or that will be spent and that the only group who had been given donations by outside agencies was the Parish Council all financial transactions would go through them. That still left the surplus monies as an issue. It was argued that as the monies had been raised by this group they should decide where the surplus monies went. It was pointed out that there were six other groups who had made donations to aid the Jubilee Celebrations. This group wanted all its monies going towards the Barn Dance and Jubilee Picnic. That would not be a problem. Other donors, apart from Clinton Devon Estates (who had specified trees if possible or if not the celebrations in general) and Devon County Council (the children's mugs), had not made conditions on their donations. David Ottley stressed that any monies left over would be used for the benefit of the parishioners in one way or another and that the Council, under the guidance of three Councillors designated the task, could confidently be left to do what was appropriate.

### Matters Arising from the Previous Meeting.

- Providing there were more than 100 people attending the Barn Dance, *Mrs Midnights* would provide and manage a bar for free. The organisers were confident this number would easily be met.
- Sue Tibbott and Suzanne Smith's "Coffee Morning" in the Village Hall on Saturday, 31<sup>st</sup> March at 10.30 a.m. was a great success and raised £336.15. The ladies were thanked by all present for their efforts.
- The "Otterton Jubilee Fashion Show" on Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> April was a wonderful occasion as the Village Hall had standing room only. 12 models strutted their stuff, in both casual and more formal attire supplied by M&Co of Sidmouth. Marion Cowlin and Vanessa Herman were congratulated for their efforts in raising a marvellous £507.38.
- Brian Le Masurier reported that he had 12 stunning acts for the "Diamond Jubilee Concert" being held in the **Village Hall on Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30 p.m.** Various tasks need to be carried out. Help is needed in buying drinks (Linda Grant offered to organise 12 red and 12 white and 72 glasses); David Ottley will get 20 small Union flags from the Council; Anne Radcliffe will be asked for the bunting from the church by

Suzanne Smith; Jane Bennett will make enquiries about ice creams from Lidl and their storage in the pub's freezer; Judith Constable will serve the drinks; Vanessa Herman will be one of the sources of ticket sales. Ro Smith will produce the posters in A5 and the tickets which will be individually numbered. Tickets will be priced £5.00 for adults and £3.50 for children and will include drinks.

#### Reports Received on Other Matters.

The road alongside the Green cannot be closed for the **Jubilee Picnic on the Green on Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June** despite contacting our MP and our County Councillor. However, it will be "permitted" to close one side of the road in order to provide greater protection from vehicles. David Ottley will contact PCSO Trayhurn and see whether she can offer us some cones. It will be necessary to ask those residents of the thatched properties in the area if they could move their cars from 10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

Pam Chidley reminded all present that the dress-code for want of a better phrase should include colours from the Union flag. Prizes will be awarded during the Picnic for the best costumes in different age groups. Also mentioned here was that parishioners should be encouraged to plant red, white and blue flowers in their gardens and hanging baskets. Union flags and bunting should be displayed wherever possible during the week leading to the Jubilee week-end. It was confirmed by Linda Grant that the Old Vicarage has bunting which will be used during the celebrations in the village.

It was confirmed that Suzanne Smith and Linda Grant have found assorted tables which can be used for the Picnic and can seat 250 people. Discussion centred on how they would be moved to the Green in time for the Picnic. It was agreed that they could be left on the Green on Saturday at 3 p.m. and that they would be covered to keep them dry. David Ottley will approach known pick-up truck drivers to assist in the transportation. Tables will be decorated in red, white and blue but there are no chairs being provided. Picnickers should bring their own chairs and if there are no table spaces left it is anticipated that villagers will bring their own tables or sit on rugs on the grass. In order to make the Village more attractive during this Celebration it was suggested that the lamp posts could be decorated in red, white and blue streamers.

The Picnic will start at 12.30 p.m. and there will be presentation of prizes and mugs at 2.00 p.m. Various games will run throughout the afternoon.

Parishioners should be given the initial opportunity to buy tickets for the **Barn Dance in The Old Barn, Bicton Home Farm on Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 7.00 p.m.** but then Bicton College should be offered them. The tickets will be £2 per adult and £1 per primary aged child and will include entry and a Hog Roast. Fliers advertising this will be placed in the school children's 'going home' bags. (Jeanette will organise this last distribution). Barbara Ottley has agreed to take on the organising of cleaning, and setting up of the venue in Jeanette Pyne's unavoidable absence. The Band requires a stage and 4 trestle tables as a bar. Bicton will supply straw bales and are aware of the potential danger.

*Since this meeting I have been informed that the Barn will be cleared two weeks before the Dance and that we will have access whenever we need it after that. Additionally, the Hog Roast can accommodate up to 200 people and providing we inform the caterer how many we will be, they will supply the right sized porker. Cost will be pro rata e.g. 200 rather than 120 portions will cost only £60 more.*

Ro Smith has offered to speak to Gill Barlow (as he has skills involving graphics) to help with the production of advertising she wishes to produce. Advertising in the village will be via a small number of large posters. Nearer the Jubilee week-end, a double side "funky" flier should go to all in the village and some to Bicton College. Production of the fliers will hopefully be carried out at the school with a minimal cost.

Following his slide presentation at the last meeting, Richard Gladstone gave a TV slide presentation of the "Otterton Jubilee Fashion Show". He explained that he was also producing a photographic record of the village in book form. He agreed that only one copy should be

produced and that that would be on display during the "Otterton Village Past & Present" exhibition in the **Village Hall during Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2012.** It is hoped that it would prove attractive and that orders could be taken for future delivery. The exhibition will contain a large number of photographs and drawings relating to the village, many of which will be able to be ordered. Jeanette Pyne has offered a presentation unit on which some of these pictures can be mounted.

Carol and Stuart Brown have a CD projector and they have offered to help in any way they can. Ro has access to a large screen and so the exhibition could have a constant slide show loop displaying the CD that is for sale. Volunteers will be needed to police the exhibition during the Saturday and Sunday.

Donations and Generated Income (£)		Expenditure (£)	
Kings Arms	100	Band	450
Ladram Bay H.P.	250	Hog Roast (est.)	740
CJD	50	Licence	25
CItC	50	Mugs	380
Devon County Council	250	Prizes	56
Lord Clinton	500	Total to date	<b>1651</b>
Coffee and Cakes	336		
Fashion Show	507		
Total to date	2043		

The meeting closed at 10.30 p.m.

**The next meeting will be on Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30 p.m. in the Barn. All are welcome.**